

<p>ADAMS, FATHER</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 23, 1897 E. H. Adams father, living at Beloit, Wisconsin, died Saturday and was buried Tuesday evening. Mr. Adams was at his father's bedside during the last days of his illness and will return home this week.</p>
<p>ALLEN, EARNEST C.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 23, 1897 About 11:55 Sunday night Dr. J. F. Cromely, coroner of this county, received a telegram from L. L. Keller, Division Superintendent of the Missouri Pacific railroad, stating that a man had been instantly killed by their train at Liberal and asking him where he would hold the inquest. Dr. Cromely replied that the inquest would have to be held at Liberal and that he would go out on the 1:48 train. The coroner and a representative of the Democrat took the Memphis train #4 and went to Liberal where they were met by one of the train crew and conducted to the railroad crossing, a few feet south of which lay the mangled corpse of Earnest C. Allen. Arrangements were immediately made for an inquest, a jury composed of Jaxi Brown, W. R. Coleman, S. P. Horn, J. H. Conrad, Lee Helm and Grant Comfort were summoned and upon their appearance at the scene of the death all the evidence that could be secured was given them for consideration. The train crew was all that had any knowledge of the accident and their testimony was that Allen, deceased, was a new man on that road, this being the return of his first run and that he was employed as head brakeman. The night was cold and the cars covered with ice so when the brakeman was not at work he rode in the cab of the engine for protection. As the train, which consisted of 25 loaded coal cars and a caboose, neared the railroad crossing at Liberal, at 9:45 p.m., the engineer told him that he had to stop, for the crossing, whereupon Allen went out to set the brakes. That was the last seen of him. It is supposed that after the train started again he proceeded to unloosen the brakes and on his return to the engine slipped and fell between the first and second cars. After the train proceeded a few miles the engineer missed Allen and called for him several times by the whistle, but he received no answer. At Hannon he informed the conductor that they had lost a man; the train was sidetracked and the break (sic) of the first car was found set. The engine was attached to the caboose and the crew went back to look for their unfortunate brother. This search was not rewarded until they had gone over the entire distance to the crossing at Liberal; and there, lying beside the track the poor boy lay in a pool of his own life blood that colored the snow crimson. They at once notified the superintendent of the road who arranged for a prompt inquest as stated above. The jury returned a verdict finding that the deceased had come to his death by accidentally falling from the train and being run over, having the abdominal cavity torn open and both legs mashed. Upon his person was found a pocketbook containing some route sheets, a membership card to the B. R. T. dated at Chillicothe, Ohio, switch keys, a letter from a sweetheart, and a picture of a young lady supposed to be his sweetheart and another picture of an elderly lady supposed to be his mother. As this was his first run on the Minden branch of Missouri Pacific railroad, the train crew knew little about him, however the lodge to which he was a member will be able to find his home and relatives and the sad news will break some fond mother's heart and will darken some maiden's future.</p>

	The remains were taken ----- and there turned over to the railroad officials who arranged for the funeral.
ALLEN, MINNIE	Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897 Newport Nothings---The many friends of Mrs. Minnie Allen will regret to hear of her sudden death, which occurred September 28 th at 3 a.m. Minnie Hatfield Allen was born near Newport in August 1873. At the age of eighteen she was married to John Allen. Five years ago she was converted and united with the United Brethren Church. Such is the record of her life, but in that short time she endeared herself to many who can never forget her. Her death has deprived three small children of a mother's love and care. The youngest child is but seven months old. May Heaven comfort her mourning friends. Klonkike
ANDERSON, INFANT	Lamar Democrat, July 1, 1897 Caput items---The infant son of Mr. and Mrs. J. A. Anderson died Tuesday, June 22 nd and was buried on Wednesday at Baker's Grove.
ARAHOOD, JOHN	Lamar Democrat, April 15, 1897 John Arahood who located near this city in 1867 and made his home here until about two years ago, died in Carthage last Friday. The remains were brought to Lamar Sunday and interred in the east cemetery.
ASHBY, MOTHER	Lamar Democrat, August 5, 1897 Will Ashby and Mrs. L. G. Johannes have gone to Rockville to attend the funeral of their mother, who died at that place Monday morning. Mrs. Ashby was buried Tuesday.
ATCHEY, CHILD	Lamar Democrat, September 23, 1897 Liberal Itemizer---The little three year old boy of Mr. and Mrs. John Atchey died Sunday morning about 4 o'clock of diphtheria. He was buried in the Barton City Cemetery. The bereaved parents have the sympathy of the community in their sadness.
BAIRD, JOHN	Lamar Democrat, May 27, 1897 About 6 o'clock Friday afternoon John Baird stockman who was shipping a carload of stock from Mt. Vernon to Kansas City, fell between the cars while passing over the train when a short distance from Lockwood, and was instantly killed, a portion of the train passing over his body, mangling it horribly. Baird is said to have been under the influence of liquor at the time, and had been warned to remain in the caboose, and keep off the roofs of the cars, but would not listen to the advise of the trainmen.
BARRET, A. MRS.	Lamar Democrat, March 18, 1897 Nashville Nuggets Mrs. A. Barret died of an enlarged liver on the 12 th inst.

BAUGH, INFANT	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 26, 1897</p> <p>The eight weeks old infant of E. Baugh, living near Irwin, died Tuesday morning at 11 o'clock of heart disease. The child had had heart trouble ever since its birth, breathing at times being quite laborious. The remains were interred at Esrom by the side of relatives.</p>
BEAL, CHARLES	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 2, 1897</p> <p>From Mr. George Isenhower we learn the particulars of a most distressing accident, whereby Charles Beal, of Jerico, lost his life. Beal, who freighted between Sheldon and Jerico, passed the home of Mr. Isenhower Sunday evening with a wagon load of coffins, enroute to Jerico. He stayed all night with a man by the name of Williams, and Monday resumed his journey, with the intention of crossing Horse Creek at what is known as the John Devine ford. The creek was greatly swollen by the rains of Sunday and Sunday night. Notwithstanding this fact, Beal drove into the stream. The wagon bed and load of coffins was swept from the running gears of the wagon and carried down stream, but the horses succeeded in swimming to the opposite bank, dragging the running gears with them. A young man by the name of Solomon was only a short distance behind Beal, when he drove into the water, riding a horse. He put spurs to his animal, but before he reached the banks of the creek Beal had disappeared and was not seen again, until his lifeless body was recovered from a pile of driftwood about noon Tuesday. Mr. Solomon says the wagon-bed and its contents had drifted not more than 15 feet, when he reached the banks of the creek, hence Beal must have been carried to the bottom by the weight of his clothes when they became saturated with water. He immediately returned to Mr. Isenhower's and telephoned to Jerico, and by the time he reached the ford again a large number of citizens of that place had reached the scene of the accident, and were preparing to recover the body. The death of Beal is rendered doubly distressing in the fact that he leaves a wife and five small children in destitute circumstances.</p>
BEASON, W. A.	<p>Lamar Democrat, May 20, 1897</p> <p>W. A. Beason died at his home at this city, Sunday evening, May 16th, aged 48 years, 8 months, and 11 days. Mr. Beason was taken suddenly ill Friday afternoon while sitting in his carpenter shop, on Pacific street. He was removed to his home, and Dr. Amerman was summoned, who found his patient in great agony, caused by the attempted passage of gallstones. His suffering was so intense that it was necessary to keep him under the influence of chloroform. Sunday morning a second gallstone was passed, and as the patient seemed easier it was hoped all danger was passed. About 8 o'clock the pain returned and Drs. Van Meter, Amerman, McGavaran and Cromley, were summoned to his bedside. In the passage of the third gallstone a blood vessel ruptured, death ensued about 10 o'clock from hemorrhage. Mr. Beason was born in Xenia, Ohio, September 15th, 1848. He has been a resident of Lamar about two years, coming here from Kansas, where he had been engaged in business. He was a member of Lamar Lodge, No. 292, A. F. & A. M., the funeral was conducted under the auspices of that order today (Wednesday). The deceased leaves a wife and four children to mourn his</p>

	untimely death.
BELL, M. S.	Lamar Democrat, December 9, 1897 Ward Powers received a telegram Tuesday informing him of the sudden death of his wife's father, M. S. Bell, at Petersburg, Illinois. Mr. Powers left on the noon train for Petersburg to attend the funeral.
BENNER, MRS.	Lamar Democrat, August 5, 1897 Oakton--Died, Monday evening August 2 nd , at 6 o'clock, Mrs. Benner, one of Oakton's most respected citizens. She has been a patient sufferer for about three years, and during all that time she was pleasant and patient. Heart trouble and nervous prostration caused her death. The family has the sincere sympathy of the community.
BETZ, DAUGHTER	Lamar Democrat, July 8, 1897 Liberal--Died, the five year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Betz, on Monday, July 5, 1897. She was buried at Barton City Cemetery on Tuesday, July 6 th . The family have the sympathy of the entire community in their bereavement.
BOLES, MEN (GEORGE, ROBERT)	Lamar Democrat, December 9, 1897 Bushnell Budget--Last Saturday while six men were working in a coal shaft about five miles north of Bushnell, the roof fell in, four of the men escaped but two were instantly killed, their names were Boles, but no further information has been received. Neoma Milford News---Killed December 4 th , 1897 by a cave in of the Greely Coal Mine, Geo. Boles aged 27, years 3 months, 15 days, Robert Boles aged 12 years. When death comes after a long illness we can meet it with some fortitude, but in this instance the shock to relatives and friends was terrible. "Death loves a shining mark". Geo was loved and respected by a host of friends and relatives, and was always considered an honest, conscientious and exemplary young man. He was a member of the Christian Church and those who knew him think all is "well with his soul". Robby was kind hearted, affectionate, truthful and obedient little boy. His parents have the "blessed assurance" that "of such is the kingdom of heaven". To the sorrowing friends we extend our sympathy and recommend to them the "The Lamb of God who taketh away the sins of the world". Look up and be prepared when the sunshine through the rifted clouds strike glad hands with those gone before, and stand in the presence of the King and be able to hear, "Well done thou good and faithful servants" enter thou into the reward prepared for the foundation of the world. They lay in peace in the Howell graveyard until that day when the dead shall rise and be judged for the deeds done in the body. Services were conducted by Rev. D. N. Payton. J. M. B.
BOLLINGER, HENRY MRS.	Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Mrs. Henry Bollinger, who lived six miles northeast of this city, died Monday evening. The funeral was held at her late residence and the remains laid to rest in

	the cemetery north of Lamar.
BONNEY, HIRAM	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 5, 1897</p> <p>Last Monday at five minutes past twelve, our friend, Hiram Bonney, departed this life for “that bourne whence no traveler returns”. He had been feeble for some time, yet able to attend to little matters at home. His age made it improbable that he could recover or ever grow strong again. His faithful helpmate was ever attendant upon his wants. His last days were cheered and his pathway to the River made smooth by her willing heart and hands. He was a devout member of the Congregational Church of this city, and was prepared for the life to come and ready to go at any time. The funeral services were held at the family residence Tuesday afternoon, at four o’clock, Rev. Hunt of the Methodist Church officiating; after which the remains were interred at Lake Cemetery, accompanied by a large concourse of friends. The pallbearers were A. C. Gardner, E. L. Elam, H. B. Allen, J. K. Anderson, J. P. Weddell, and W. V. Tobias. Mr. Bonney was born April 22, 1817, at Farmington, Maine. He was the seventh of twelve children. He grew to manhood, at the place of his birth, and from there went to Boston, where he engaged in the dry goods business for a number of years. In the early forties he went south, spending about two years carpentering in Mississippi and New Orleans. Then he went to Davenport, Iowa where he engaged in the contracting business for a short time. He next located in Columbia county, Wisconsin, where he entered, cleared up and broke a tract of land and engaged in farming. It was here that he married Miss Carrie Gay, July 12, 1854. Of this union two children were born, a son and a daughter. The son, Gay Bonney, survives and is now a respected resident of this city. In 1866, Mr. Bonney moved to Rockford, Illinois where he resided two years, moving back to Wisconsin and locating in Lafayette county. Here his wife died December 10, 1871. On June 30, 1873, he was married to Miss Jane Miller who survives him, and who is left alone to mourn his loss; but her love of Christ and her faith in the promise of the good book have given her a cheerful and hopeful heart. No children were born of this last marriage. Mr. Bonney with his family moved to Lamar in 1877, where he resided ever since, making one of the best and most respected citizens.</p>
BOX, MARGUERITE	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 25, 1897</p> <p>Died, November 16th, 1897, Marguerite, the beloved consort of J. L. Box in the 27th year of her age.</p>
BRANSON, A. L.	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 28, 1897</p> <p>A.L. Branson, of Liberal, who was employed in Jaxie Brown’s store in that city for a number of months, was found dead in his bed at the Woody Hotel in Springfield, last Wednesday night. His death is supposed to have been caused by an overdose of morphine. He had registered the night previous under the name of J. G. Smith, Laredo, Missouri. Failing to appear for breakfast, at 9 o’clock the following morning the clerk went to his room to ascertain the cause and found him dead. Marks on his under clothes and a memorandum found in his pocket caused an exchange of telegrams with parties in Liberal, and identity was established. The</p>

	<p>remains were taken to Liberal for interment. He left home on Tuesday, ostensibly(sic) for Lamar, but continued through town to Springfield. In speaking of the sad occurrence, the Liberal Independent says, "Deceased was well known here and numbered his friends by the circle of his acquaintances. Placing the mantle of charity over his faults, which were injurious only to himself. He was about fifty years of age and made his home with his aged parents here for the last four years. The relatives have the sincere sympathy of the entire community in their deep bereavement.</p>
<p>BROWN , ROBERT</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, June 24, 1897 Judge Robert Brown, who for nearly a quarter century was a resident of this county, died at his home in Kansas City, Kansas, on the morning of the 21st. The remains were brought to Lamar on the 2:24 p.m. Missouri Pacific train Tuesday, and taken thence to the home of Mrs. J. W. Weaver, his sister, where the funeral services were held at 9 a.m. Wednesday under the auspices of Lamar Lodge, A. F. & A. M., of which he was a member. The interment was at Oak Grove Cemetery, where one of his children is buried. Judge Brown was a native of Illinois. He was born and grew to manhood in Greene county that state, receiving a common school education. He was married November 25, 1857, to Miss Margaret Fay, and in 1873, Judge Brown and family removed to Barton county, and settled in Central township near Haines Grove, where he engaged in farming until about 6 years ago, when he sold his farm and became a resident of Lamar. From here he moved to Kansas City, Kansas, in 1895. Mr. Brown was twice elected to the responsible position of Presiding Judge of the County Court of Barton county. He also represented Barton in the 31st and 32nd General Assemblies; and faithfully discharged the trusts reposed in him. He was a man of strong convictions, and could not be swerved from what he considered right. He leaves a wife and five children to mourn the loss of a kind husband and a loving father.</p>
<p>BYRD, WILLIAM E.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 22, 1897 William E. Byrd died of consumption at the home of his brother-in-law, R. G. Collins, in this city, Friday morning, April 16th, 1897, at 3 o'clock, at the age of 23 years, 4 months, and 11 days, and his remains were interred at Lake Cemetery, Saturday, the 17th. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. A. D. Byrd, formerly of Lamar, but who now reside in Denver, having moved there in about the year of 1889. Some years ago Will was taken ill with pneumonia, which finally ran into consumption. He gradually grew worse, and had done little or no work during the past two years. He came here in January on a visit to his sister, Mrs. R. G. Collins, thinking that the change in climate would, perhaps, have its effect on him for the better. He did improve for a time, but suddenly began to grow worse, and became weaker and weaker until the angel of death claimed him, his suffering ceased. His mother came from Denver, about a month ago and was at his bedside when he passed away. Will was well and favorably known here, having spent his youth in Lamar and it is needless for us to extol his life. It is sad indeed to place our loved friends in their last resting abode, and especially those young in years, with cheerful hearts and bright prospects; but such is the ultimate fate of all mankind.</p>

	<p>The community deeply sympathizes with the bereaved parents and relatives of Mr. Byrd in this, their sore affliction.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, April 29, 1897</p> <p>Wm. Edward Byrd, familiarly known among Lamar's people as Willie Byrd, was born in Lafayette county, Missouri, December 5th, 1873, and came with his parents, Wm. H. and Annabelle Byrd, to Lamar in 1880, where his father embarked in the grocery business, later conducting a restaurant and confectionery until 1889, when the family left for Denver, Colorado, where they have since resided, and where Mr. Byrd now is, Mrs. Byrd having come here about three weeks ago, when it was fully realized that her son could only live a short time at best. He came here last fall to visit his sister, Mrs. R. G. Collins, in hope of recuperating his failing health, as he had been advised that he would have to leave Colorado, or soon succumb to the dreadful and ever clinging grasp of consumption. Upon his arrival among his many friends of boyhood days he seemed for a while to grow stronger, as he received the friendly calls and the warm handshakes and cheering words of those who had learned to love and honor him for his manly and noble qualities and endearing and mild disposition. He was given every encouragement by his old schoolmates and friends who tried to cause him to forget his frail condition, but like the lovely flowers that are beautiful and promising, it was only for a while, and then, he began to again grow gradually worse, until the morning of April 16th, when, at 3 o'clock, the last spark of life took its flight, leaving the cold body, surrounded by relatives and friends. The funeral took place from the residence of his brother-in-law, R. G. Collins, Saturday morning April 17th, the interment being in Lake Cemetery.</p> <p style="padding-left: 40px;">He has crossed the darksome river, The way we must all go, Yet we moan in bitter anguish, Caused we loved him so, A smile of lingering sweetness As in a dream of a mother's kiss, Gave promise of completeness, In a better land than this. A Friend</p>
<p>CABRIC, JANE MRS.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 21, 1897</p> <p>Bushnell Budget---Grandma Cabric died at the home of her son-in-law, Elijah Rosell, Saturday evening at the ripe old age of 88 years and 7 months and was buried at Fairview Cemetery Monday.</p> <p>Mrs. Jane Kabick died at the residence of her daughter, Mrs. Elijah Roselle, nine miles southeast of town, last Saturday afternoon at the advanced age of 88. Mrs. Kabrick came here with her daughter from Jackson county about ten years ago. Although quite old, she was very sprightly old lady and retained her physical strength and mental vigor until a short time prior to her death. She was beloved for her gentle manners and kind disposition. She was a conscientious, Christian woman and by her universal kindness won the admiration and esteem of all her</p>

	neighbors.
CARROLTON, BABY	Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 The four month old baby boy of Mr. and Mrs. Thos. Carrolton of Iantha, died Monday evening. The funeral was held in Iantha, Wednesday.
CATLET, CORA	Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Died at the home of her parents, near Nashville, Miss Cora Catlet, of congestion of the lungs. She was attending school in Webb City, and began to fail in health. She came to Opolis, Kansas on Friday evening and went to the home of her sister, Mrs. Barrett, and remained there all night. She was taken to the home of her parents the next morning. She began to grow worse and Dr. J. K. Schoales was summoned on Sunday. All was done for her recovery that medical skill and loving hands could do, but that life destroyer, death, came and took her away, Tuesday morning about 8 o'clock. The funeral services were conducted by Rev. Coffman, at the Methodist Episcopal Church, on Wednesday. A large procession of sorrowing relatives, friends, and neighbors followed her remains to their last resting place in Nashville Cemetery. We extend our sympathies to the sorrowing family. Eclia.
CHANCELLOR, H. C. MRS.	Lamar Democrat, September 16, 1897 Minden Items Albert Chancellor received a telegram from his father, H. C. Chancellor, Jr., of Bicknell, Indiana, stating that the latter's wife was dead. H. C. Chancellor is editor of the Bicknell Bacon.
CHISWELL, LEE	Lamar Democrat, May 6, 1897 Lee Chiswell, the lawyer, editor, the devoted father and husband, the exemplary citizen and neighbor is dead. He was born in Frederick county, Maryland, October 15 th , 1848, and died in Lamar, on May 2nd, 1897. He was the fourth son of a family of 6 boys and five girls. He was raised on a farm, educated in public schools, a graduate of Frederick City College, studied law and graduated at Columbia Law School, Washington D. C., and was admitted to the bar in 1870, when he engaged in the practice of his chosen profession. He was elected prosecuting attorney for Barton county at the general election in 1872 and filled that office for ten consecutive years, his last term expiring January 1 st , 1883. At the Democratic convention in 1882 he refused to be a candidate for re-election and withdrew his name from the convention, against the protests of a large number of delegates who insisted in nominating him against his own wishes. He had been all his life active in politics, and an uncompromising democrat. For a quarter of a century he has been a familiar figure at county and national democratic conventions. For the last 27 years he has never missed a democratic convention in Barton county. He was editor of the Lamar Democrat from 1883 up to the time of his death, except a short time in 1894, while J. E. Rundell of this city owned an interest in the paper. However he has done no active work on the paper since November 1895, when he had his first attack of paralysis. This attack was followed by another in December 1895, and the third occurred on May 1 st , 1897,

from which he died at noon May 2nd. He was elected Justice of the Peace for Lamar township in the spring of 1895 and re-elected in 1897, and held that office at the time of his death, to the satisfaction of everybody. He was a member of all the Masonic Bodies, from that of the Master Mason to Knight Templar. He was also a member of the A.O.U.W. and took great interest in the meeting of their bodies. He was a member of the Congregational Church, and when able to do so was a regular attendant at all services conducted at the church. It has often been said that the only enemy on earth he ever had was himself. He was generous to a fault, and no man ever appealed in vain to him for charity. If he had but a crust of bread he would divide it with anyone in need. Though a young man at the time of his death, his acquaintances was very extensive, and no man ever knew him but to love him. It may be truthfully said that he was one of the most unselfish and self sacrificing of men. He was always willing to forgo his own ambition to further the interest of his friends. In the very prime of his life and vigor of manhood, this big-hearted, whole-souled, genial, companionable man was cut down by death, and there is no one in this community that can fill his place. The world is far better that he should have lived even this long, and the community unfortunate at his untimely death. On Sunday afternoon the quivering lips and tear bedimmed eyes of the familiar faces on the street told in unuttered words the sad story of his death. The life of Lee Chiswell furnishes an example of what a generous and happy disposition, by bright smiles, will do in a community to dispel gloom, with the sunlight of good nature. If everyone, who had been the recipient of that smile so characteristic in his life, should drop a single tear in his grave, it would be filled with the tears of this community. If everyone to whom he done a kind act should speak a single word in commendation of his life and character, it would constitute an eulogy greater, nobler and more eloquent that the acts and deeds of heroes commemorated by monuments of stone and marble. Let his unqualified generosity and loving kindness live as it deserves to live in the memory of the people of this community, and if the great Judge, who judges the dead shall be as generous towards his faults as he has always been towards the faults of his friends and neighbors. "His enfranchised spirit today rests in the peaceful abode of the blest". Mr. Chiswell requested that Mt. Olive Commandery, No. 46, Knights Templar, have charge of his funeral, and the request was complied with. A delegation of twenty members of O'Sullivan Commandery, K. T. of Nevada; one of ten members of Greenfield, and many members from other surrounding lodges were present. Jewel Lodge, No 67. A. O. U. W. attended as a body; also Sheldon Lodge, A. O. U. W. and Lamar Lodge, A. F. & A. M. Nearly all of neighboring Workmen Lodges had members present. The lodges formed to line at the residence and the procession with the Lamar band leading, marched to the church. As the cortege entered the church an appropriate selection was rendered upon the organ. When all were seated, a male quartette, composed of Messrs. B. C. Avery, J. M. Dye, H. C. Timmonds and C. B. Boving, sang "Nearer, My God to Thee." Rev. Greenlees then read the twenty-third Psalm as a lesson, after which the male quartette sang "Home Sweet Home." The twenty-fourth verse of the eighteenth chapter of Proverbs was taken for the text. "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly; and there is a friend that sticketh closer than a brother." Reverend

	<p>Greenlees was suffering so severely with a cold that he was compelled to speak briefly. He spoke relative to the disposition of the deceased that it was friend first and self last with him; that he was generous even to his own detriment. The minister consoled the family in the statement that Mr. Chiswell had died a Christian, that he was satisfied he was at peace with his Maker, and ready for the death summons. After the completion of the discourse, the Knight Templars took charge of the services, which were conducted by Rev. McGee, pastor of the Christian church of Nevada, who acted as Prelate. The regular ritualistic services were gone through with, after which all were given an opportunity to take a farewell look at all that remained earthly of Lee Chiswell, who in life, it is said, was a friend to more persons than any other man who ever lived in this county. And many a tear was shed as the familiar face was looked upon for the last time. The procession was formed and proceeded to Lake Cemetery in the following order: Lamar band; Knights Templar; with Major Harry Mitchell, of Nevada, as marshal; Blue Lodge, with J. A. Cox as marshal, A. O. U. W. Lodges, with F. M. Tilford as marshal; hearse; family in carriages; followed by friends in vehicles. At the grave the services were conducted according to the Knight Templar ritual by Prelate McGee and Past Commander B. G. Thurman. Ex-Congressman C. G. Burton spoke feelingly of the deceased saying, among other things, that that portion of the text which read "A man that hath friends must show himself friendly," was so fittingly applicable to the life of Lee Chiswell. The ritualistic services were then completed, the band played a selection, and the sorrowing family and friends returned to their homes with tear-dimmed eyes and heavy hearts. Thus another of Lamar's early inhabitants is resting in the silent city of the dead. The funeral was probably the largest ever held here. There were over sixty vehicles in the procession. Business was practically suspended in the city during the funeral services, many of the places of business being closed. The services were held in the Methodist church because it was large, and would come nearer accommodating all who desired to come, but it is said hundreds turned away. The church rostrum was nicely decorated with flowers and plants, and several beautiful floral tributes were tendered the family, some of which rested upon the casket.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, May 13, 1897 Frank Chiswell, who attended the funeral of his brother, Wednesday, departed for his home in Jackson county, Friday. (He lived about nine miles from Kansas City)</p>
CLEVENGER, SON	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 28, 1897 Mr. and Mrs. T. J. Clevenger, who live about six miles east of Lamar, had the misfortune to lose their eight year old son Saturday. The lad came home from school Friday evening in the best health. During the night he was taken with croup, and in a few short hours he had joined the "innumerable caravan". The funeral services were held at the family home Saturday, Rev. C. B. Boving officiating.</p>
CLIFTON, JOE	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Liberal Itemizer---Joe Clifton, one of our barbers died at his home, last Sunday</p>

	<p>night, October 31, of kidney and stomach disorder at the age of 47 years. The remains were interred at Nashville Cemetery, Monday about 12 miles southeast of here. The deceased leaves a wife and one child who have the sympathy of the entire community.</p>
COHEN, GERTRUDE	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 25, 1897 Miss Gertrude Cohen, sixteen years of age, daughter of A. Cohen, of Nashville township, died on the 20th.</p>
COLLINS, W. P.	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 W. P. Collins, aged 76 years died at his home in this city Friday of plural pneumonia. The remains were buried at Lake Cemetery Sunday afternoon.</p>
COLLIS, JAMES	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 9, 1897 Nashville News---Word was received last week announcing the death of James Collis, familiarly known as Uncle Jimmie, at Pontiac, Illinois. The telegram failed to reach his relatives here. Uncle Jimmie has been a familiar figure in our neighborhood for the past fifteen years, and has lived the life of a conscientious, upright, Christian, doing naught but what he believed to be right. He has gone for that reward for which he has always tried to live prepared. He was a native of England and came to America many years ago. He lived for a number of years at Pontiac, Illinois, and came to Barton county in the spring of 1883. He leaves a married son, Mr. Chas. Collis, who resides near here, and another son, who resides somewhere in the west, to mourn his loss. He has followed three grown children, two daughters and one son, to their last resting place in Nashville Cemetery. Eclia</p>
COMBS, DORA BELLE	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 8, 1897 Died at her home in this city, Monday, April 5th, 1897, Miss Dora Belle Combs, aged 28 years, 1 month, and 27 days. Miss Combs was for a long time a teacher in our public schools, but gave up her position on account of ill health. She went to Colorado hoping the change would benefit her, but experienced no relief. Her death has brought sorrow to many hearts for she endeared herself to all with whom she associated. Trusting in the promise of a brighter home she had no fear of the Grim Messenger, and met him with a sigh of relief. For many months she suffered, but patiently waited her release. She requested that Rev. C. V. Criss conduct the burial ceremony and selected the hymns for the service. The funeral took place at the Methodist Church, Wednesday, and a large number of friends followed the remains to their lasting place in Lake Cemetery. (She was the daughter of T. H. Combs and wife.)</p>
CONDICT, S. P.	<p>Lamar Democrat, June 17, 1897 S. P. Condict, in by gone years a prominent figure in Lamar business circles, died at asylum No. 3 at Nevada, Friday, age 43 years. His remains were brought to Lamar Saturday night and interred in Lake Cemetery. In the early 70's, Mr. Condict purchased the Barton County Democrat from W. R. Crockett, and</p>

	<p>changed the name to the Lamar Independent. For a time Volney Moon was associated with him in the publication of the paper. The latter was taken with the western fever, and sold his interest to his partner, who continued the publication of the Independent until 1881, when on account of his health, he sold the plant to S. R. Crockett, of Nevada, and the name of the paper was changed to the Barton County Progress. After the sale of the paper Mr. Condict's malady took on a mild form of insanity and for 12 years he has been confined in the asylum. His brother took him from the asylum a number of times, thinking he had recovered sufficiently to be allowed his liberty, but was in each instance disappointed, as it was found impossible to give him proper care. Pierce Condict, prior to his affliction, was an intelligent, honest, conscientious man, who enjoyed the respect and confidence of all with whom he associated, and gave, promises to a useful and honorable career, when stricken with disease. The older residents of Lamar who knew him well, always had a tender spot in their hearts for Pierce Condict, and sadly regretted the early ending of a promising life of usefulness.</p>
CONES, JOHN	<p>Lamar Democrat, March 4, 1897 Mr. John Cones, one of the pioneer settlers of Barton county, died at the home of his son, near Boston, Sunday last, after a short illness. He was attacked by pneumonia Wednesday, and sank rapidly until Sunday evening, when death ended his suffering. His age was seventy-four.</p>
DEARDORFF, ADA	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 14, 1897 Memoriam to Ada Deardorff, who died September 24, 1897 by Althea Armstrong.</p>
DIXON, CYRUS	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 11, 1897 Cyrus Dixon, a resident of Barton City township, died at his home near Verdella at 11 a.m. Friday. He had been afflicted with throat trouble for a long time and his death was not unexpected. He was 58 years of age, and had been a resident of this county for many years. The remains were buried in the Barton City Cemetery by the Odd Fellows lodge, of which he was a member. A wife and four children are left to mourn his death.</p>
DIXON, MARY	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 8, 1897 Mrs. Mary Dixon, aged 60 years, died at her home near Newport, of apoplexy, last Friday.</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, April 15, 1897 Again the grim visitor has been in our midst. The cold hand of death has been laid upon the brow of Aunt Mary Dixon, and she "fell asleep" Sunday, April 4, 1897, at her home in Milford, Missouri. She was born in Woodford county, Kentucky, October 17, 1835, and while yet a child moved to Platte county, Missouri, where on October 29th, 1857, she was married to John W. Dixon. She was a consistent member of the Christian Church, having been indentified with that organization for nearly forty years. Her presence will be missed in the church, in the Sunday School and in the home circle. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn</p>

	<p>her death.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">“In that great cloister’s stillness and seclusion, By guardian angel led, Safe from temptation, safe from sin’s pollution, She lives who we call dead.”</p> <p style="text-align: center;">C. R. W.</p>
DOUGLAS, HENRY	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 19, 1897</p> <p>The home of Mr. and Mrs. T. O. Douglas, who live four miles southwest of town (The old McSteel place) was rendered sad and dreary by the death of their son Henry, last Saturday. The deceased was 23 years of age and had been ill for some time with typhoid fever. The funeral took place Sunday, the remains being interred at Lake Cemetery.</p>
DUNCAN, WAYNE	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 25, 1897</p> <p>Wayne Duncan, a young man about 29 years of age, was killed in one of the coal mines near Newport, last Monday evening by the roof of the mine caving in on him. The body of the unfortunate man was recovered Tuesday morning.</p>
ELLIOTT, EMILY	<p>Lamar Democrat, May 20, 1897</p> <p>Died at her home, near Carthage, Emily Elliott, of throat and heart trouble. Mrs. Elliott was recently from Pettis county. She leaves a husband, R. B. Elliott, and a large family of children. Mrs. Elliott experienced a great trouble last winter, which is supposed to have shortened her life. She was loved by her neighbors, many of whom knew her in childhood. Sedalia papers please copy</p>
ELSEA, JOHN	<p>Lamar Democrat, March 4, 1897</p> <p>G. A. Seyffert went to Webb City, Wednesday morning, to attend the funeral of Mr. John Elsea, who was for many years a citizen of this county, living about four miles northeast of Lamar.</p>
ENSIMINGER, ELIZABETH	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 1, 1897</p> <p>Mrs. Elizabeth Ensiminger died at the home of her sister, Mrs. O. H. Grimes, of consumption. Mr. Ensiminger and family came here from Argentine, Kansas last January and located three miles east of Lamar. She leaves a husband and seven children. She had been a faithful member of the Baptist Church since 1867, and was prepared for the transition from this vale of sorrows, to the abode prepared for her by the Master.</p>
FARRIS, JOHN	<p>Lamar Democrat, May 27, 1897</p> <p>Two accidents attended with fatal results occurred on the Memphis railroad between Golden City and Lockwood Friday afternoon. John Farris of Lockwood, a young man about 18 or 20 years of age, was on his way to Golden City in a poultry car. He and Russell Pegg, a companion, were sitting in the car door, with their feet hanging down on the outside of the car. In passing over a bridge on a small stream about two miles east of Golden City, Farris feet came in contact with</p>

	<p>the bridge timber, and he was knocked out of the car. He is supposed to have been thrown against the timbers of the bridge with great force, as his head was badly crushed. The train was stopped and he was taken on board and conveyed to Golden City, where his injuries were pronounced fatal, and he was returned to his home in Lockwood on the passenger train, where he died shortly after arrival. (The other accident was the death of John Baird---Bruce)</p>
<p>FAST, ELIZABETH ROSS</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 14 1897 Died at the residence of H. C. Timmonds, Friday, January 8th, at 4:15 p.m., Mrs. Elizabeth Ross Fast, the beloved mother of Mrs. H. C. Timmonds. For some time, Mrs. Fast had been a suffer from rheumatism, but no one of her friends realized that death was so near and the summons came as a great shock to relatives and friends. The funeral services took place at the residence of H. C. Timmonds, Sunday, at 2:30 p.m. Rev. C. A. Greenlees conducted the services, assisted by Rev. C. B. Boving. From the scriptures Rev. Greenlees read the 90th, Psalm, which had been read at the funeral of Mrs. Fast mother. A quartette composed of Mrs. Patrick, Miss Byrd Whitsett, Rev. C. B. Boving, and B. C. Avery, sang some hymns of Faith and Promise of great comfort to the Christian hearts of relatives and friends. Rev. Greenlees took for a text, 2nd Timothy, 4, 7, 8, and spoke briefly but his words were traught with sincere admiration for Mrs. Fast's beautiful character, deep grief at her loss, deepest sympathy for her surviving relatives; and the Divine assurance that her heart broken children would meet their mother in a better world. The casket was covered with choicest flowers, tokens of the great respect of numerous friends for the departed one. The Ladies Aid Society of her own church sent a broken circle of white roses and purple heliotrope, a fitting emblem of the break her departure meant to the society. Elizabeth Ross Fast was born in Hancock county, Illinois, March 18, 1834. Her maiden name was Atherton. She was married at Toulon, Illinois, to S. P. Fast in 1852. Of their marriage three children—two sons and one daughter—were born, all of whom survive their parents. The family came to Lamar in 1870. Her husband died in this city in 1883. She was a faithful and consistent member of the Congregational Church of this city. She was a model of pure womanhood; always patient, forgiving, and ever ready to bear and forbear. She bore no malice toward any man or woman; was charitable in considering the conduct of others; and her whole life was such as to endear her very closely to those who knew her best.</p>
<p>FAUBION, JOSEPH</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, March 4, 1897 Joseph Faubion, this child of misfortune, was born in Clay county, Missouri, in 1839. When the struggle for the Confederacy began he enlisted under the stars and bars and followed the wavering fortunes of his flag over many a hard fought field. It was somewhere in the mountains of Tennessee that he encountered an attack of yellow fever; a pestilence fatal in its character, then raging in the south. He sank rapidly and when his heart ceased to beat the doctor pronounced him dead. Mortality was common at the time and the funeral preparation proceeded. The coffin was about to be lowered into the hastily prepared grave when one of the attendants heard a muffled disturbance within the box. The lid was hastily torn off</p>

	<p>and to the amazement of the mourners the sheeted form of the supposed dead arose in the coffin. Faubion recovered but from that hour his mind was blank. Years afterward he recovered his mental faculties to some extent, but he never was the same man again. He worked at odd jobs around Golden City, and was commonly seen with a saw on his arm. He said but little, and was regarded as a harmless being. A few days ago he contracted pneumonia fever, and died very suddenly about 5 o'clock Tuesday evening. Yesterday for the second time he was laid out in his grave clothes. Funeral services were conducted at the residence of his aged mother, Mrs. Nancy Faubion, at one o'clock, yesterday, by Elder E. B. Woods, and afterwards the remains were taken to the Pippinger Cemetery for burial. Besides his mother, the surviving relatives of the deceased living in this community are Jacob Faubion and Mrs. Mollie Phelps, a brother and sister.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Free Press (Golden City)</p>
<p>FINK, CHARLES W.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 23, 1897</p> <p>The Lamar readers of the Democrat will remember Charles W. Fink, a son of George W. Fink, who formerly resided in this city. We are in receipt of information that he died at St. Paul, Minnesota on the 4th of this month, after an operation for appendicitis. Charley, as he was familiarly called when a boy, received his education in the public schools of Lamar. He will be remembered as a modest, honest and industrious young man. He moved to Dakota in 1883. In 1897 he entered the employ of the government in the railway mail service and has been actively engaged in that work until the Wednesday preceding his death. He was at the time in St. Paul on Friday and Friday night was removed to St. Luke's hospital where the operation was performed Saturday, from which he never recovered consciousness. His remains were sent to Woolsey accompanied by his brother Luther, where the funeral was held the following Wednesday. He became a Christian at the age of seventeen and was an active member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and died in full assurance of the home beyond. At the time of his death his home was at Wolsey, South Dakota.</p>
<p>FITZPATRICK, PATRICK</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 25, 1897</p> <p>Patrick Fitzpatrick died at his home in the east part of the city Sunday morning at 6 o'clock, after a long illness. He was 67 years of age, and leaves a wife and five children to mourn his death. Mr. Fitzpatrick had been section foreman on the Missouri Pacific railroad for a number of years, during which time he worked very hard. This, together with the exposures accompanying his work is supposed to have hastened his death. The funeral was held Monday afternoon under the auspices of McCook Post, G. A. R. and the remains were interred in Lake Cemetery.</p>
<p>FOOTE, MARY E.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897</p> <p>Mrs. Mary E. Foote is dead. Such was the sad news that was brought to our ears Monday night. It seems that the truth of the adage "trouble never comes single handed" is fully established in this family. About two months ago Mrs. W. B. Dunwoody, a daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Foote was stricken with fever and was</p>

	<p>near death's door for several weeks. Mrs. Foote came down from her home and nursed Mrs. Dunwoody back to health, but no sooner was this done than Will Dunwoody and Mrs. Foote both became very ill with fever, from which Mrs. Foote did not recover. Mr. Dunwoody has so far recovered as to be able to attend to his duties at the mill for the last few days. Mrs. Foote was the wife of John Foote, a prominent and respected citizen of Barton City township. The funeral services were held at the residence of W. B. Dunwoody on south Cherry street Wednesday afternoon and the remains were laid away in beautiful Lake Cemetery.</p>
FOSTER, R. W.	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 R. W. Foster, who was a resident of this county for about 18 years, died at Elgin, Illinois, Monday, October 25, 1897, at the age of 84 years. He was sick all summer, and realizing that the summons would soon come expressed a desire to die at this old home. Accordingly he was taken to Elgin, and no sooner was he called to another world beyond the stars. He was well known by many of our citizens and was an upright and conscientious man. He has two sons in this county, Len Foster, of Lamar, and Arceneas Foster, who lies four miles north of town.</p>
FOUDRAY, FERN	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 14, 1897 Fern, the four year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. G. W. Foudray, died last Monday in Aurora. Mr. and Mrs. Foudray were formerly residents of Lamar, where they have many friends who will sympathize with them in their great bereavement.</p>
FRAY, PHILIP MRS.	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 4, 1897 Irwin items---Mrs. Philip Fray died Tuesday morning, and was buried Wednesday at Doylesport cemetery. She was a native of Canada, but had lived in Barton county a number of years. She was about seventy years old, a lady of fine appearance and conversational powers. She leaves an aged husband and several children to mourn her demise.</p>
GALLAGHER, TOM	<p>Lamar Democrat, March 11, 1897 Tom Gallagher, of the Webb City Sentinel, died suddenly last Wednesday. He was taken sick while at his post of duty in the Sentinel office and a few hours later crossed over to the great majority. Tom was well known in this county, having been identified with the Golden City Herald a number of years ago. The writer has known Tom Gallagher for more than twenty-five years. He was a genial, companionable, man.</p>
GINN, JOHN	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 22, 1897 John Ginn and Jerry Shea, brakemen in the employ of the Missouri Pacific, were run over and killed by a switch engine, in the yards of the company in Joplin, at 6 o'clock Friday evening. There was no foot board on the rear of the engine and Shea was setting on a tool chest attached to the engine while Ginn was standing on the rail, holding on to the top of the tool chest. It gave way while the engine was backing, throwing both men under the wheels of the engine. Ginn was cut in two(sic), Shea's right leg and arm were severed from his body and he was injured</p>

	internally. Ginn was an uncle of A. O. Ginn, of this city, and was a resident of this county prior to 1885, when he sold his farm and began railroading, which he has since followed. He was brakeman on the freight train wrecked at the north bridge last August, but being in the caboose at the time of the accident, escaped injury. Ginn was a resident of Joplin at the time of the accident which caused his death, and leaves a wife and four children.
GLASS, FRED	Lamar Democrat, December 2, 1897 Wise Pickups---Last Wednesday evening Mr. Henry Glass received the sad dispatch, that his brother Fred Glass, who went to the Territory two weeks ago, was dead. Henry took the next train and returned Thursday night with the corpse. He leaves a wife and four little children and a host of relatives and friends to mourn him. He was a member of the Presbyterian Church at Milford. Rev. Chambers of Jerico, conducted the funeral services, after which the remains were laid to rest in the Lutheran Cemetery. His sorrowing wife and children have the sympathy of the community. How little did she think that two weeks ago he put his arm around her neck and kissed her and said "goodbye", that it was the last words she would ever hear him utter; that it was really "goodbye" till they would meet in heaven. Ah tis sweet to have that blessed assurance that she will meet him again to part no more. May God comfort her. Keymon
GORE, W. D.	Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897 Minden Items---W. D. Gore, a minister who lives in Midway died last Saturday. He received severe injuries in a mine two years ago and has been an invalid ever since. He was known throughout this part of the country as an upright Christian gentleman, and the whole community will regret his loss.
GREEN, DAUGHTER	Lamar Democrat, June 27, 1897 Died, Wednesday June 16, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. John Green. Mr. Green is one of Frank King's force of men, who work on the Pacific section at this place. His industrious and upright habits have won him many friends and the sympathy of the entire village goes out to him and his wife in their sad bereavement.
GREEN, HENRY	Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Henry Green died Monday morning at his home eight miles southeast of Lamar. He was about 35 years of age. He had been troubled with cardiac affection for several months and for a time would rally and get stronger, but each time would be followed by a relapse. He was an upright and conscientious man and highly respected by his neighbors. Funeral services were held at Forest Grove Church Wednesday.
HALL, JEROME	Lamar Democrat, July 8, 1897 Mr. and Mrs. Charles Hall arrived in Lamar Friday morning, and were present at the funeral of their little son, Jerome.

HAM, INFANT	Lamar Democrat, July 22, 1897 The infant son of Mr. Ham, living west of town died Saturday morning. The child was suddenly taken sick and died before medical aid could be reached.
HANSHAW, HEZAKIAH	Lamar Democrat, January 21, 1897 Iantha—Mr. Hezekiah Hanshaw, aged eighty three years, died at his home northwest of Iantha last Wednesday. He was one of Central township's best and most respected citizens.
HARDESTRY, JOHN	Lamar Democrat, December 30, 1897 Milford items---On December 22, 1897, Uncle John Hardestry, died at his home one mile east of Milford, after an illness of one week. Deceased has lived in this township 24 years, and has borne the name of being an honest industrious, and exemplary citizen.
HAWKINS, HARRY MRS.	Lamar Democrat, May 27, 1897 Mrs. Harry B. Hawkins, daughter-in-law of O. D. Hawkins, of this place died in Harrisonville last Monday, after a lingering illness of several weeks.
HEAGEN, J. W.	Lamar Democrat, April 1, 1897 Rev. J. W. Heagen, formerly pastor of the Lamar Presbyterian Church, died in Little Rock, Arkansas, Thursday morning, March 25 th , from the effects of la grippe, from which he had been suffering for two months. Mr. Heagen was one of the most popular of Lamar's ministers, as he always had a pleasant word for all whom he met. He enjoyed the respect and confidence of all classes and the announcement of his death was received with many expression of regret on the part of those who loved him for his manly qualities. He was a Christian in the fullest meaning of the term.
HESSFORD, DAVE	Lamar Democrat, September 23, 1897 Liberal Itemizer---Last Saturday morning Dave Hessford took his rifle and went to shoot a hawk. By the time he got his gun the hawk was gone, so he set the gun down and proceeded to shell some corn and in some way he dropped an ear of corn and it striking the hammer, discharged the gun. The gun was leaning against him and the bullet entered the left side, cutting one of the heart strings. He started for the house but fainted when inside the door. A doctor was summoned and everything was done to make him comfortable but at about 7:30 he passed away having lived only an hour and fifteen minutes. His funeral was preached by G. H. Walser at the Spiritual Hall at 10 o'clock Sunday morning, after which he was buried at the Barton City Cemetery. Mr. Hessford was well and favorably known and he leaves a host of friends and relatives to mourn his loss.
HOMAN, LEVI	Lamar Democrat, October 21, 1897 Bushnell Budget---Levi Homan died at his home northwest of here Monday morning, and was buried at Morehead Chapel Cemetery Thursday. He was buried by the masons, as he was a member of that order.

	<p>Another old citizen of Barton county has passed over the great divide. This time it was Levi Homan, who died at his home seven miles northeast of Lamar on Monday, the 18th, at the age of 53. He had been troubled for the past three years with a cancer in his left side and after doing all that he could to stop the ravages of the disease, he finally succumbed. The remains were interred at Morehead Chapel, Tuesday by the Masonic Lodge of Newport, of which he was a member.</p>
HULL, JEROME	<p>Lamar Democrat, July 8, 1897 Jerome Hull, the little grandson of Mr. and Mrs. James Hull, died at five o'clock Thursday morning, and was buried on Saturday at ten a.m., the funeral services being held at the Methodist Church, Rev. C. B. Boving officiating. Company C and the Ideal Band attended the funeral as escort, the little fellow being a great favorite with the members of both organizations. Jerome was a bright child and greatly admired by all with whom he came in contact. The sorrowing relatives have the hearty sympathy of the entire community.</p>
HUNSLEY, HENRY	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 11, 1897 Mrs. J. Burkey, of this city, has just returned from her old home in Decatur, Illinois, where she was called some time ago by a telegram conveying the sad intelligence that her brother, Henry Hunsley, and nephew, Roy Hunsley, had met a sudden and tragic death in that city. It seems that the two men had started in a light one horse wagon to go to the country to a farm belonging to Henry Hunsley. When they reached the crossing of the Wabash railroad, by some means they drove on the track just in time to be struck by a passenger train going at the rate of 25 mph. Both were instantly killed, the young man having been thrown a distance of 116 feet by the shock, the elder one 90 feet. It appears that no one was to blame for the accident. The signals were properly given, and as the men drove on the track, and realized their danger they were paralyzed with fear. The horse was across the track, and was torn loosed from the wagon and escaped without injury. The double funeral of these two men was said to have been the largest ever held in Decatur, which shows the high esteem in which their family is held by those who knew them. The family of Mr. Burkey has resided in this country for many years and are highly esteemed by all who know them. Many friends will be pained to learn of their sad bereavement, and will sympathize with them in their affliction.</p>
JEFFERS, DAUGHTER	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 15, 1897 Milford---We are sorry to announce the death of the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Sidney Jeffers. The bereaved parents have our sympathy in their affliction. Priscilla</p>
JOHNSTON, ALFRED	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 7, 1897 Alfred Johnston, the fourteen year old son of S. W. Johnston, who lives one mile south and east of Newport was accidentally killed Monday evening while hunting. The boy left home about 4 o'clock in the afternoon, to kill rabbits. When night came, and he failed to return, a search was instituted in the direction he had taken</p>

	<p>when leaving the house, which resulted in the discovery of his lifeless body about a half mile from his home, and about 50 yards from the spot where the accident happened. His gun was laying on a brush heap, upon the top of which he had been jumping for the purpose of scaring the rabbits out. It is supposed that in drawing the gun toward him for the purpose of shooting, the hammers caught in the brush and it was discharged, the load tearing away the right hand and lodging in his right breast, in front of the shoulder. He made an effort to walk home after the accident, but succeeded in getting but fifty yards, when he became too weak to proceed farther, and laid down to die.</p>
<p>JOYCE, ANDREW J.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 14, 1897 Died at his late residence, near Forest Grove church, four miles south of Lamar, Saturday night last at twelve o'clock, Andrew J. Joyce, aged 81 years. Funeral services by Elder Kown, of Springfield, interment at the cemetery near the church. The remains were followed to the last resting place by a large concourse of sympathizing friends. "Uncle Jackie" as he was familiarly called, was born in Patrick county, Virginia, on February 22nd, 1815, and at the age of sixteen moved with his father to Shelby county, Indiana, where he resided until 1873, when he came to Barton county, settling on the farm upon which he died. In 1838 he was married to Miss Keturah Mann. Fourteen children were born to them, seven of whom are living as follows; Mesdames O. H. Grimes, J. W. Hughes, F. L. Boss, S. F. Brown, G. W. Enslinger, and A. H. and Frank Joyce, all of whom have their homes in Barton county except Mrs. Enslinger, who resides in Kansas City. The wife and mother passed to the great beyond four years ago last August. Mr. and Mrs. Joyce were earnest workers in the Baptist church, and their home was one where Christians enjoyed to go. And their lives were blessed, in as much as they raised a large family of honorable men and women. Mr. Joyce was an active member in the Baptist church for more than fifty years, and it was through his earnest efforts in behalf of Christianity that the Forest Grove church was established nearly twenty years ago. While it is true that sorrow and sadness are felt when death comes, yet it is a pleasure to record the deeds of a man such as was A. J. Joyce.</p>
<p>KEITHLEY, GRANDMA</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 21, 1897 Wise Pickups---Mrs. Keithley, departed this life October 14th. She leaves many relatives and a host of friends to mourn her death. To know grandma was to love her and she was always a welcome visitor to our home, both old and young enjoyed her company. She was 64 years old. The last 30 years of her life she spent in Barton and Vernon counties. Rev. Adcock of Sheldon conducted the funeral services after which the remains were interred in the Grove Cemetery. May we all live as did Grandma Keithley and meet her in heaven. (She died at Mrs. Whittaker's residence last Thursday, the Grove Cemetery was in Dunnegan Grove---Bruce)</p>
<p>KENNEDY, THOMAS F.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, September 16, 1897 We have just learned of the death of Thomas F. Kennedy at New Orleans on</p>

	Thursday of last week. The funeral services were held at the residence of his son-in-law, C. A. Orleans, in that city. Mr. Kennedy was the father of Mrs. T. E. Allen and Chas. O. Kennedy this city and at one time was a resident of this county, living on the farm one mile east of town that still bears his name. He was a native of King's county, Ireland, and at the time of his death was 65 years old.
KESSEL, CHILD	Lamar Democrat, August 12, 1897 From Ashley Johnson, we learn that a 15 month old child of Noah Kessel, died last Tuesday morning. He did not know of the cause of death.
LAWTON, CHILD	Lamar Democrat, April 8, 1897 A three year old daughter of John L. Lawton, died Friday last.
LIGHTWINE, MRS.	Lamar Democrat, July 29, 1897 Minden---Mrs. Lightwine, a young woman about 20 years of age died Monday leaving an infant but a few hours old. The body was interred Tuesday, in the Mulberry Cemetery. Rev. Goar, of Litchfield, delivered the funeral sermon, Sunday at the Baptist Church. Observer
LIVESAY, MAGGIE MAY	Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897 Irwin Inklings---The announcement of the death of Maggie May Livesay Saturday morning seemed hardly possible as she had been in school Thursday. She died with the scarlett fever and was buried in the afternoon at Baker's Grove Cemetery. May was 6 years and 5 months old and a bright and winsome child. (She died October 2, 1897)
MAGERS, WILLIAM L.	Lamar Democrat, February 4, 1897 William L. Magers died at his late home in this city, January 28 th , 1897, from a complication of diseases, the result of an attack of the grip some years ago. Deceased was aged 30 years, 1 month, and 28 days, and had been a resident of Lamar since last March. He was the son of Mr. and Mrs. G. Magers who reside near Malta, this county, and leaves a wife and two small children. The remains were shipped to Jasper Saturday, and interred in the Mitchell graveyard, five miles east of Jasper.
MARSHALL, ANNIE	Lamar Democrat, April 15, 1897 Mrs. Annie Marshall died in this city Saturday evening, of consumption after a painful and lingering illness. The lady was 26 years of age and leaves a husband and four small children to mourn her loss.
MARTIN, S. N. DR.	Lamar Democrat, June 17, 1897 Dr. S. N. Martin, of Newport, died at his home at 2:40 a.m. Tuesday morning. Dr. Martin had an attack of paralysis about two years ago, and another attack on the 9 th inst., which terminated his earthly career. Dr. Martin was among the first settlers of Barton county after the close of the war, and had been an active and successful practitioner until his health failed him. He was a man of strong

	<p>convictions and sterling integrity, and will be greatly missed by the community in which he has spent the greater portion of his life. The funeral services were held Wednesday afternoon under the auspices of Milford lodge, A. F. & A. M. of which he was a member.</p>
<p>MAUPIN, W. L. MRS.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, July 8, 1897 One week ago last Sunday, Mrs. W. L. Maupin accompanied by her husband, went to Kansas City to have an internal cancer removed. The operation was performed Thursday last, and the lady rallied from its effects and was to all outward appearances recovering until Saturday when a relapse occurred and she sank rapidly, dying Sunday morning. The remains were brought to Lamar and interred in Lake Cemetery, Monday. The unfortunate lady leaves a husband and six children.</p>
<p>MAYES, MELVILLE EWING</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 18, 1897 This community was very much shocked last Tuesday morning when the announcement was made that Melville Mayes was dead. His many friends hoping there might be some mistake in the rumor called upon those most nearly related to the family to know if the report were really true—only to find that it was true. Mel, as he was usually called, was a quiet, sober, unassuming young man of the strictest integrity and uprightness of character, and was especially popular with the young people of this city. Only two short weeks ago, had the grim destroyer, Death, been looking for one to be cut down with his scythe, it would seem that Mel Mayes, in all the vigor of his young man hood, would have been passed many times. With the feeble, the aged and the infirm on every hand, is it not strange that surprise should take hold of the community when the sad news was given out that Mel Mayes had been taken away. With the death of this young man, who was almost a model of physical manhood, serve as a warning to his young associates to be ready. Melville Ewing Mayes was born in Jackson county, Missouri, May 29, 1876, being at the time of his death, aged 21 years, 5 months, and 18 days. He was the younger son of Mr. and Mrs. H. C. Mayes, of this city, and brother of Circuit clerk, W. W. Mayes, who is also one of the publishers of this paper. The family moved to Barton county in March, 1881, residing two years in Newport township and one year in Doylesport township, whence they moved to Lamar in 1890, where they have since resided. Mel was appointed deputy circuit clerk of this county in November 1895, which place he filled with a fidelity to the date of his death. He had been sick about 8 days, with a severe attack of typhoid malarial fever and died at 7:40 a. m. Tuesday the 16th inst. The funeral services took place Wednesday afternoon at 3 o'clock, Rev. Lewis of the Methodist Church, south, of this city, officiating, after which the remains were accompanied to Lake Cemetery by a large concourse of friends of the family.</p>
<p>MCGRATH, SAMUEL MRS.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 The wife of Samuel McGrath, who lives near Kenoma, died Monday. The remains were interred at Forest Grove Cemetery Tuesday afternoon. Mrs. McGrath was 27 years old.</p>

MCKINNEY, DAUGHTER	Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Nashville News---John McKinney who resides a few miles west of here lost his little three year old daughter last Sunday.
MCMANAMA, AGNES	Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897 Minden items---The family of Peter McManama are suffering very severely from the ravages of the typhoid. Last Monday his eldest daughter Agnes died of the fever and at the same time six other members of the family were prostrate with the disease. Mr. McManama should have the sympathy of the neighborhood.
MCVAY, FATHER	Lamar Democrat, January 28, 1897 S. E. McVay, received a telegram today, Wednesday, from Marysville, Ohio, announcing the death of his father, who was eighty-seven years of age. He will leave tonight on the 8:01 Missouri Pacific train to attend the funeral.
MEASELS, DAUGHTER	Lamar Democrat, April 8, 1897 John Measels, who lives near Esrom, lost a daughter three years of age, Sunday.
MILLARD, JESSE	Lamar Democrat, September 2, 1897 Jesse Millard, one of Barton county's pioneers, died Monday August 30 th , at the age of 84 years. He was buried at the Avery Cemetery on Tuesday following. We understand that the old gentleman went fishing Monday and was attacked with heart disease while away from home, and became unconscious. He was carried to his home where he died soon after. He was one of our oldest settlers and his sudden summons is a loss to the community.
MILLER, BEN MRS. & MR.	Lamar Democrat, May 27, 1897 Iantha items---Mrs. Ben Miller died with consumption at her home, west of town, Wednesday evening. Her husband died of the same dreaded disease only four days before. The remains of both were interred in the Iantha Cemetary. They were highly respected citizens and leave a host of sorrowing friends. S.
MONING, S.	Lamar Democrat, October 28, 1897 A telegram from Golden City states that last Sunday evening the body of S. Moning, a farmer, residing about seven miles northeast of Golden, in Dade county was found dangling from the end of a rope in the woods at Horse Creek. Monig was a renter, about 65 years of age, and left a wife and several children. The drought had made him despondent and he had been drinking heavily.
MORRIS, LIBBIE	Lamar Democrat, May 27, 1897 Died in this city on Friday evening, May 21 st , Miss Libbie Morris, aged about 35 years. She was a daughter of Joseph Morris, an active worker in the Baptist Church, and a friend to whom she knew. The remains were conveyed to Jerico, the former home of the deceased, Sunday, where interment took place.

<p>NIGH ELIZABETH</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 1, 1897 Mrs. Elizabeth Nigh died at her home in this city last Friday from a complication of ailments, from which she had suffered for many years. Mrs. Nigh had been a resident of Barton county since 1866, having come here with her husband from Sangamon county, Illinois. They lived about two miles northeast of Lamar until her husband's death, which occurred fifteen years ago, when she moved to Lamar. The lady was sixty seven years of age. She leaves two sons and two daughters to mourn her loss.</p> <p>(From a later thank you card one daughter was Ida Nigh, and one boy was Frank Nigh---Bruce)</p>
<p>NOKES, SUSAN</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 4, 1897 Mrs. Susan Nokes died at her home in this city Wednesday morning at the age of fifty-four years, eleven months, and seven days. The funeral services were held at the residence Wednesday afternoon.</p>
<p>OWENS, ISABELLA</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Mrs. Isabella Owens, living 7 ½ miles southeast of Lamar, died Monday morning. The funeral was held Tuesday afternoon.</p>
<p>PARRETT, L. W. MRS.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, July 15, 1897 Mrs. L. W. Parrett died at her home on north Walnut street, this city, Wednesday, July 7, 1897, at 4:30 p.m. The funeral services were held at the family residence at 10 o'clock a. m. Friday, July 9th, Rev. G. J. Hunt officiating. The remains were laid to rest in Lake Cemetery. Miss Clara Parrett was born at Libertyville, Iowa, May 12, 1852. Her parents moved to Batavia, Iowa, when she was four years old, where she lived until womanhood, and was married to L. W. Parrett, December 22. 1870. Two children were born to them, Minnie M. and Curtis R. In 1894 they moved to Lamar, Missouri, for the benefit of Mrs. Parrett's health. For some time after coming here, her health was better than it had been for several years. But since August, 1896, her health had been gradually failing, and on May 21st, she was taken severely ill with stomach trouble, and had been a patient sufferer unto out Heavenly Father relieved her of the suffering of this world and took her to her Heavenly home above. Possessed of strong Christian sentiment, she connected herself with the Cumberland Presbyterian Church of Batavia, Illinois, in 1875. She lived a consistent Christian and died as only a believer dies, with the assurance of a home beyond the skies. O, blessed hope, for the sad hearts that are left, to know that they can meet the loved ones on the other shore, where death and separation are unknown. And where no sorrow ever enters to disturb the peace of that eternal realm.</p> <p>A precious one from us has gone, A voice we loved is still; A place is vacant at our homes, Which never can be filled. God in his wisdom has recalled,</p>

	<p>The boon his love has given; And though the body moulders here, The soul is safe in Heaven. L. S.</p>
PEARSON, MRS.	<p>Lamar Democrat, July 22, 1897 Mrs. Pearson the highly respected wife of Mr. Peter Pearson living west of town died Tuesday morning at 7 o'clock. Mrs. Pearson has suffered for a number of years with cancer. She leaves a host of sorrowing relatives and friends. Guess</p> <p>Lamar Democrat, July 29, 1897 Mrs. Peter Pearson, whose death was mentioned last week was buried Wednesday at Iantha Cemetery. The funeral sermon was preached at the Methodist Church by Rev. Schumacher to a large congregation that had assembled to pay their last respects to their friend and neighbor.</p>
PERRY, DOC	<p>Lamar Democrat, March 11, 1897 Lyman Perry received a telegram Tuesday announcing the death of his brother Doc Perry, of Milan, Kansas. He was a resident of Barton county until twelve years ago.</p>
POOLE, MAGGIE ELIZABETH	<p>Lamar Democrat, June 17, 1897 Maggie Elizabeth, the infant daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Frank Poole, died Monday afternoon of cholera infantum. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon, Rev. DeJarnett of Sheldon officiating.</p>
PULLUM, EMILY	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 8, 1897 Mrs. Emily Pullum, who was for many years a resident of Lamar, died at her home in Kansas City, Thursday last, at the age of 63 years, 2 months, and 25 days. The remains were brought to Lamar Friday evening, and on Sunday afternoon, her body was laid to rest beside those of her daughters in Lake Cemetery; the funeral being held at the Congregational Church, Rev. Greenlees officiating. Mrs. Pullum was well known and highly respected in Lamar, where she had lived for many years prior to her removal to Kansas City about two years ago. The remains were accompanied to Lamar by her daughter, Mrs. Nellie Tullock, and her son, Arthur Pullum.</p>
RIDGLEY, FATHER	<p>Lamar Democrat, April 29, 1897 Mr. Clark Ridgley was called to Bunker Hill, Illinois last week by a telegram announcing the serious illness of his father. A letter received Tuesday by Mr. Fletcher, contains the sad intelligence of his father's death before the arrival of his son.</p>
ROBINSON, WALTER	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 18, 1897 Died at Marion, Ohio, January 27th, Walter, only son of Mr. and Mrs. S. L. Robinson, and beloved grandson of Mr. and Mrs. C. C. McLean, of Fresno, California.</p>

ROOKWOOD, DAUGHTER	Lamar Democrat, December 2, 1897 Bushnell Budget---James Rookwood of Jerico, buried his five year old daughter at Newport Friday. She died with croup.
RUNMSEY, MATTIE	Lamar Democrat, July 8, 1897 Miss Mattie Rumsey died at the home of her mother on Grand Avenue, in this city Friday, July 2, 1897, at 12 o'clock ?m. The funeral services were held at the family residence at 4 p.m. Saturday, Rev. Boving officiating and the remains were laid to rest in Lake Cemetery. Miss Rumsey was born in Cole county, this state October 14, 1863, and would have been 34 years of age had she lived to see October of the present year. She had been a resident of Lamar for 21 years, fifteen years of which had been a period of pain and suffering from that fated disease, consumption. Changes of climate were had but she derived no permanent benefit, and since her return, from Colorado last summer she had been confined to her bed the greater portion of the time. Miss Rumsey was popular with her associates, and had many friends in Lamar who mourn her untimely death and sincerely sympathize with her sorrowing relatives.
RUTHERFORD, DAVID D.	Lamar Democrat, September 16, 1897 The sad news of the death of David D. Rutherford reached this city early Saturday morning. His brother Thomas left on the noon train for Fort Scott to take charge of the remains and bring the body to this city for burial. Dave, as he was familiarly known, was a brakeman on a freight train on the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis road and at the time of his death was filling that position. Shortly after the train left Paola, Kansas, coming this way, it crossed a bridge which struck him on the back of the head, killing him almost instantly. The train ran twenty-five miles before making a stop but at the first stop Dave was missed, but no search was instituted, but when another stop was made twenty-five further on, Dave did not show up, so the conductor of the train said to the rear brakeman "we will have to hunt Dave up" whereupon the brakeman went over the train and found his lifeless body lying length-ways on the side of the third car from the engine with the back of his head mashed and torn from temple to temple. The body was taken back to Fort Scott where it was turned over to the family. The remains were brought to this city Sunday morning, the funeral taking place Sunday afternoon, at his home under the auspices of the I. O. O. F. of Webb City, of which lodge he was a member. About twenty of the Webb City lodge were present, being joined by both lodges located here. The funeral services were held at 4 o'clock Sunday afternoon in the yard as the house would not accommodate the friends that were present. After an appropriate sermon by Rev. C. B. Boving, the funeral services of the Odd Fellows were performed by the Webb City lodge, the Lamar lodges acting as escorts. At the grave a short prayer was offered and the conclusion of the lodge ritual pronounced. He was twenty-four years and six months old at the time of his death, and was engaged to be married to a Miss Katie Kelly of Webb City.
RYRO, D. S.	Lamar Democrat, February 4, 1897 J. J. Humphrey has received a paper from New York state, announcing the death

	of D. S. Ryro, who moved from this city with his family to that state about three years ago. Mr. Ryro was at one time engaged in the butcher business here.
SALLEE, W. D.	Lamar Democrat, March 25, 1897 W. D. Sallee, formerly a resident of Lamar, and an employee of the Democrat, died at his home in Joplin, Saturday. The Herald says "over three months ago he was attacked with a serious bronchial trouble which confined him to the house, complicated heart trouble soon followed, and although the best physicians of the city attended him, they could afford him only temporary relief. Ten days ago gangrene set in and extended from the foot to the knee, and his death was hastened by blood poisoning".
SARGENT, LILLIE	Lamar Democrat, February 18, 1897 Lillie Sargent, the little daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sargent, died Friday morning, February 12 th , of membranous croup. The funeral was held at the residence Saturday morning at 10 o'clock, conducted by Rev. Morris, and the remains were then laid to rest in the Pierce Cemetery. Lillie was a sweet little girl and had a pleasant disposition, and showed marked intelligence for one of her age. And yet as she suffered severely, she was conscious to the end. (I could not read the rest of this obit---Bruce)
SARGENT, RUBY	Lamar Democrat, July 29, 1897 Nashville---Died, Miss Ruby Sargent, aged 16 years, of typhoid fever on the 20 th inst. The funeral occurred the following day, the place of interment being the Price Cemetery. Lamar Democrat, August 5, 1897 Death again creeps into the home of Mr. and Mrs. Thomas Sargent, and took away their only daughter, Ruby, who died Tuesday, July 20 th , at 2 o'clock, of typhoid fever, after an illness of about five weeks. Age 16 years, the funeral was held at the residence Wednesday morning, and was conducted by Rev. Morris, and the remains were then laid to rest in the Pierce Cemetery. Miss Sargent was a member of the Missionary Baptist Church at Pleasant View for two years, and we believe she was a Christian girl in the truest sense of the term, for at times during her illness she would speak of the angels of heaven and of her home above. When her father and mother neared her bedside and were weeping she said, "Do not weep for me; I am going home". We will miss her in our Sunday school. Her associates sadly mourn her absence and her parents miss her loving voice and helping hand. But may they continue righteously before God and meet their loved one in heaven. A. E. G. Lamar Democrat, August 19, 1897 Miss Ruby J. Sargent died at the home of her parents on July 19, 1897 of typhoid fever. She was born in Marshall county, Illinois April 17, 1881, and lived 16 years, 3 months, and 2 days. She had been a member of the Baptist Church for three years. On Sunday before she died she called her parents and friends to her

	<p>bedside and bid them goodbye and said they would meet again in Heaven and a few hours, before she passed away, she told her weeping parents and relatives around her not to cry, she was going home. Funeral services were held at the residence conducted by Rev. Morris after which all that was mortal of Ruby was carried to the Pierce Cemetery and laid to rest beside two little sisters. One of the largest processions ever witnessed in Nashville township was convincing proof of the high esteem in which she was held by all who knew her, may we all live so that we may meet in Heaven where there shall be no more goodbye.</p>
SIMONTON, C. A.	<p>Lamar Democrat, June 24, 1897 C.A. Simonton, of Golden City, who had made his home with his son, W. F. Simonton, for a number of years, met with a fatal accident some time Friday night, The old gentleman's bedroom was in the second story of his son's residence, from which a window opened upon a porch. He had gone out upon the porch sometime during the night, and it is supposed, fell from the porch to the ground, sustaining a broken leg and internal injuries, from which he died Friday afternoon. His body was discovered in the early morning, life being almost extinct, and it is not known at what time the accident occurred.</p>
SMITH, J. B.	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 26, 1897 Uncle J. B. Smith, familiar to many of our readers, passed away at Eldorado Springs, Sunday, August 16th. Mr. Smith was a brother of Mrs. A. M. Noel, and had been in Lamar quite frequently. He had formed quite a circle of friends here that mourn his death. His remains were shipped to his home in Champaign, Illinois, and there interred.</p>
SMITHER, ROBERT	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 21, 1897 Mr. and Mrs. J. H. Miller of Platte county, Missouri arrived Saturday morning to attend the funeral of Mrs. Miller's brother, Robert Smither. They returned the first of the week.</p> <p>Last Thursday night Robert Smither, after a long and lingering illness passed from the toils and troubles of life. The death of Mr. Smither was one of the saddest that it has been our lot to witness. The poignant grief of the widowed wife and the orphaned children moved the entire audience that attended the funeral ceremonies to tears. His funeral was conducted by the Modern Woodmen of which order he was a member. He was buried at the Nashville cemetery besides the remains of his father. Through the death of Mr. Smither his wife loses a faithful and loving husband, his children, a tender and self-sacrificing father, and the community a good citizen and liberal and progressive man. His frank open manner, his freedom from all deceit, his sunny and jovial disposition together with his devoted and unselfish love for his family were qualities that won for him the true friendship and esteem of all who knew him. Among the saddest trials to which mortality is subject, is the death of a good and useful man in the full prime of his powers. Yet our deceased neighbor has but shared the inevitable destiny of all humanity. Although as old as creation, death has ever remained, even to the greatest thinkers</p>

	<p>and the profoundest of philosophers, the most strange and inscrutable(sic) of the mysteries designed by the Omnipotent. We gaze upon the pale and marble like features, so recently stirred by the passions and emotions; the form is still, the eye is glazed, the voice forever hushed. The secret and mysterious fire of life is spent, the spirit that beautifies and ennobled the now lifeless form has forever fled—who knows whither. But whatever may be the fate of the departed, let us rest assured that if there is a realm to which is gathered the righteous and just that our deceased friend has entered a brighter and more glorious existence, and that his passage into the silent halls of death was like one who draws the draperies of his couch about him and lies down to pleasant dreams. Unicorn (He had lived in this area for 12 years and had a brother, Jonas at Minden--Bruce)</p>
SPENCE, MARIA T.	<p>Lamar Democrat, June 17, 1897 Mrs. Maria T. Spence, wife of Capt. – J. Spence, died in this city at 4 p.m. Monday, after an illness of two months. Her death was the result of complications of stomach and liver disorder. Mrs. Spence was born in New York City, September 11, 1823. In October, 1849, she was united with --- J. Spence. To them were born five children, four of whom are living, E. C. Spence, Kentucky, C. W. Spence, of Steele City, Nebraska, M. – Spence, Springfield, Missouri, and a daughter. Mr. and Mrs. Spence located in Lamar five years ago, coming from Texas. The funeral services were held at the family residence at 4 p.m. Wednesday, Rev. G. J. Hunt, of the Methodist Episcopal Church officiating, the lady having been a devout member of that organization, and the remains were laid to rest in Lake Cemetery.</p>
SPERRY, F. M.	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 26, 1897 F. M. Sperry, an old and highly respected citizen of this county, died Saturday morning at his home six miles east of Lamar, from general debility, and heart affection. The remains were interred at Lake Cemetery, by the side of his son James on Monday afternoon. He would have been seventy years old if he had lived----- longer. Mr. Sperry had been a resident of Barton county for a great many years and his sudden summons is a serious loss to the community. Mrs. Sperry survives her husband but is now very ill, and it is thought she has little chance of recovery.</p>
STEELMAN, WILLIAM MRS.	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 21, 1897 James Steelman received a telegram from his son William of Olympia, Washington, stating his wife had just died. The message gave no details. Mr. and Mrs. William Steelman will be remembered by many of our readers, although they have been in the west seven years.</p>
STOUGHTON, THOMAS M.	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 18, 1897 Thomas M. Stoughton, an inmate of the county farm, died Monday morning. Mr. Stoughton was taken to the poor farm September 8, a full account of his condition and misfortune appearing in the Democrat September 9. He was 75 years old and was taken to the farm in a feeble condition to grow weaker till Monday morning</p>

	<p>when he closed his eyes in the sleep that knows no awakening. He was buried at the farm on Tuesday.</p>
<p>SULLIVAN, THOMAS</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, September 16, 1897</p> <p>While John S. Null was cutting corn in his field southwest of the section house of the Kansas City, Fort Scott & Memphis Railroad, just south of the city limits, early Thursday morning, he discovered the body of a dead man in the center of the field. He at once notified the sheriff and coroner, who immediately empaneled (sic) a jury composed of L. Draper, A. G. Cessford, John Garrett, Seymour Barton, G. F. Porter and Mac Turner. Sheriff Livingston, Dr. Cromley, the coroner, the jury and a representative of the Democrat proceeded to the corn field in which he body lay. The body and the ground immediately around it had in no way been molested by anyone. The jury at once examined the clothing and in the pockets were found a pocket knife with a broken handle, a buckeye, a small pocket book containing a small clothes brush, two empty tobacco sacks, two skeleton keys, a Joplin Daily Globe, dated September 10th, a black handled razor, freshly honed, in a case, a small looking glass, some parched coffee wrapped in a piece of paper, a spool of coarse black thread, a statement of account from Gordon, Morrison & Co., opticians and jewelers, Chicago, Illinois, which is as follows: “Mr. Thomas Sullivan, Springfield, Missouri, 1 dozen rings----- .50cents, paid September 6th. Gordon, Morrison & Co.”</p> <p>On another slip of paper (a piece of letter registry) was found the following: “Ash Grove, Missouri, September 10, 1897</p> <p>To whom it may concern, This is to show that one Thomas Sullivan bought one M. O. for .50 cents, on Gordon, Morrison & Co., Chicago, Illinois, Thomas McCray.” A small memorandum book was also found containing the names of towns and dates and some addresses. Upon examining the body the jury found a bullet hole in the back, in the upper lumbar region, to the left of the spine that is supposed to be from a .38 caliber revolver, several bruises were found on the shoulders, a deep gash over the left eye about two inches long, and one or two places on the scalp where the skin was broken, but it could not be determined whether these were caused by a blow or by decomposition. A piece was cut out of the left ear, but this may have been done before, as it did not seem to be a fresh wound. The man wore a pair of tan shoes about number 7 ½ or 8, a pair of black trousers, a black coat and vest, badly worn, a soft black hat, colored shirt and a handkerchief around the neck. His hair was black, short and rather coarse. He wore a smooth face, having been freshly shaved. The man appeared to be 5 feet, 9 or 10 inches tall, weighing about 150 or 160 pounds and 30 years of age. After the examination the jury retired to one side of the field and rendered a verdict in accordance with the law, finding that the man supposed to be Thomas Sullivan came to his death by a gun-shot wound in the back, to the left of the spine, and from a wound over the left eye, inflicted by unknown parties. The remains were badly decomposed, and were immediately placed in a coffin and taken to the Potter’s field, southeast of the city, where an examination was had for the bullet. This examination was made by Dr. J. F. Cromley, the coroner, and Sheriff Livingston; the bullet was traced, and it was found that it had hit one of the points</p>

	<p>of the vertebrae, breaking it in two, it then passed through the left lung, but owing too the extreme state of mortification, it could not be further followed. At the time of going to press nothing has been learned of the deceased or his relatives, nor anything concerning the parties who murdered him. Saturday night between one and two o'clock, near the section house, the train crew of the first division of freight train No. 55 of the Memphis Route had a fight with some unknown parties who were trying to steal a ride, in which fight one of the brakeman was so severely injured as to necessitate his being taken to the hospital at Kansas City. Several shots were heard in that vicinity by different persons at that time. This may lead to the discovery of the murderer. Another shooting affray was heard early Sunday morning about five miles southeast of Lamar, on Pettis creek, at which time one man was heard to cry "I give up". But there is nothing at this time to indicate that the deceased had any connection therewith.</p>
SWARTZ, DAUGHTER	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 2, 1897 Liberal Enterprise Paper---The seven year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Marion Swartz died at their home near McCabe Chapel, Saturday, November 20 of typhoid fever. The remains were interred at Shiloh Cemetery on the following day. A brother of the deceased is very sick at this writing.</p>
TAFT, MINNIE	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 19, 1897 Minden Items---Died after a lingering illness of several months, Minnie, the fourteen year old daughter of Mr. and Mrs. Milo Taft of this place. The disease was consumption and death came quietly to the little sufferer, who for so many months, has been helplessly awaiting His relentless approach.</p>
TANNER, WM. W.	<p>Lamar Democrat, January 7, 1897 Died at his home in this city, Thursday, evening, December 31, 1896, Wm. M. Tanner, aged 74 years, and 1 month. Mr. Tanner was born in Dryden, New York, December 1, 1825. In 1848 he was married to Miss Hannah Marvin, who, with one son survives him. In 1870 he removed to Lamar, where he has since resided. He was a mechanic and worked at this trade incessantly until his health compelled him to abandon his vocation. He had suffered from heart disease, but his indominable(sic) will kept him up to the last, and he was doing his evening chores when the messenger of death claimed him as a victim and a short time afterward his wife found his lifeless corpse, where he had fallen at his post. The funeral services were conducted from the Methodist Episcopal Church, Sunday afternoon, Rev. Hunt officiating, and the body was laid to rest in Lake Cemetery, by sympathizing friends. He was a devout member of the Methodist Episcopal Church and led a consistent Christian life. Blessed with a happy, genial disposition he was constantly strewing flowers along life's rough and thorny pathway. The death angel waited not for the loving glance or the warm and tender hand clasp of loved ones, but in a moment the vital cord was rent asunder and the soul winged its flight to the clime unknown. There's a vacant place in our hearts, an empty chair in one more home, and in our sorrow we turn to thee, oh Lord, for we mourn not as those who have no hope, but believe in the blessedness of the resurrection</p>

	morn when we will be reunited with loved ones who have only gone before. A Friend
TAYOR, JACOB	Lamar Democrat, November 11, 1897 Nashville news---Jacob Taylor is added to our list of dead. He had been ailing for several weeks, and passed to that great beyond, where no death or sickness ever comes, last Wednesday. The funeral services were held at the home of his parents, Mr. and Mrs. A. J. Taylor, who reside two miles north of here, by Rev. Cathers. The remains were followed to the last resting place at Nashville Cemetery by a large concourse of sorrowing relatives, friends, and neighbors. We extend our sympathy to the sorrowing ones. Eclia.
THRAILKILL G. W.	Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897 G. W. Thraikill died at the home of his son, Dr. J. E. Thraikill, in Kansas City on last Saturday night, of typhoid fever. The remains were buried Sunday at Carney, his former home. John Thraikill, our worthy clothing man is another son of the deceased.
TIGERT, AMANDA	Lamar Democrat, August 26, 1897 Miss Amanda Tigert, who had been suffering with consumption for some time, died in this city, Tuesday morning. The remains were laid to rest in Lake Cemetery Wednesday.
TIGERT, ARTIE	Lamar Democrat, April 1, 1897 Only a short time ago were the people of Lamar startled and saddened by the awful suicide of a young man, and now, again, has the fatal mania been made manifest. Artie Tigert, a single woman, aged 36, living with her mother in the southwest portion of the city, concluding that the burdens of life were greater than she could bear, determined to end them, which she did last Saturday evening, by taking two ounces of carbolic acid. As soon as her mother discovered this fact she summoned medical aid, and Drs. Van Meter and McGavaran did all in their powers to save the life of the unfortunate woman, but without success. The dose was fatal and another soul was sent unannounced into the presence of the Creator. The cause of the suicide was the inability of the mother to furnish funds for the daughter to go to Kansas City for treatment by Christian Science healers. A cancer had been growing for some time on the imagination of Miss Tigert, and she fancied none but the believers in Christian Science could relieve her affliction. Having only a small amount of money in the house and another daughter who has been for many weeks lying helpless with brain fever, the mother could ill afford to spare her money for a useless trip and she refused. This refusal so angered the young lady that she decided to die and end it all, which she proceeded to do immediately. The doctors were convinced that no cancer existed on the person of Miss Tigert, and a post mortem proved them correct in their conclusions. The lady was found to be perfectly sound physically, but her mind, never very strong, had given way under their many trials and tribulations, and she engaged herself the victim of numerous ailments, principal among them being a cancer, and continued brooding over fancied ills resulting in suicide. The funeral took place on Sunday,

	quite a large number of friends and sympathizers of the unhappy family following the remains to their last resting place. To the mother we extend our heartfelt sympathy, hoping that a bright home beyond may sometime be her reward for the patience and fortitude with which she has borne the many trials that have beset her pathway here.
TRACE, MR.	Lamar Democrat, February 18, 1897 Mr. Trace died at his home in Miami, Indian Territory, Tuesday morning, February 16 th , aged seventy-six years, one month and one day. His remains were brought to Lamar Wednesday, and interred in the east cemetery. Mr. Trace was for many years a resident of this county, coming here from Indiana in October 1868. In November 1895, he removed to Miami, Indian Territory, where he died. Mr. Trace was an honest, upright man, who enjoyed the respect and confidence of the entire community. His death was caused by an attack of the grip, which terminated in pneumonia. He leaves an aged wife, two sons, and two daughters to mourn his death.
TUCKER, INFANT	Lamar Democrat, August 5, 1897 The infant child of Wm. Tucker died after some days of sickness of summer complaint, Sunday evening, and was laid to rest in Lake Cemetery Monday afternoon.
TYDINGS, J. W.	Lamar Democrat, February 4, 1897 J. W. Tydings died at the advanced aged of 83 years, at his home in Central township, Tuesday. Mr. Tydings came to Lamar shortly after the close of the war, and at one time was a prominent figure in politics. He was a lawyer by profession and a native of Virginia. He was a member of the Lamar bar, and once a candidate for prosecuting attorney against Lee Chiswell. He failed of election and afterward devoted his time to farming. He was a good citizen and a consistent Christian gentleman. Lamar Democrat, February 11, 1897 Iantha items—The funeral of an old and respected citizen, Judge J. W. Tydings was held at the Methodist Episcopal Church Tuesday. The Daniel Mile Post G. A. R. of which he was a member had charge of the funeral.
TYLER, J. O.	Lamar Democrat, February 18, 1897 Dr. J. O. Tyler, of Boston, died Saturday from the effects of an overdose of choral. It is reported that he had been drinking quite heavily recently, and his nervous system was badly shattered. To quiet his nerves he took several doses of choral Friday and Friday night. Saturday morning he received a call to visit a patient near Boston. Before responding to the call he had occasion to visit Hastings store and as he ascended the platform in front of it, he was seen to fall. Parties came to his assistance and supposing him to be under the influences of whiskey they picked him up and carried him to his home nearby, where he died a few minutes later. Dr. Tyler located at Boston about two years ago, having moved there from Laclede

	<p>county. He leaves a wife and a child about 1 year of age. His remains were brought to Lamar, Sunday, and interred in Lake Cemetery. It is not believed by those best acquainted with the doctor that the drug was taken with suicidal intent.</p>
<p>ULRICH, H. A.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, May 20, 1897</p> <p>The citizens of Lamar were startled Tuesday morning by the announcement that H. A. Ulrich, the well known dairyman had committed suicide by hanging himself to a bed post at his home, two miles northwest of Lamar. He was in Lamar, Monday, and was in his customary good spirits, when in conversation with friends, who little thought that he contemplated so rash an act. His wife states that he arose at his usual hour, and shortly after breakfast, as was his custom, went to his bedroom for a nap. Nothing unusual was noticed in his conduct, and his absence was given no particular thought. About 10:15 the lady had occasion to go to his room, where she discovered his lifeless body hanging to a bedpost. He had taken his suspenders, tied them together and then slipped them over his head, twisting them into a loop, one end of which he slipped over the bedpost and died of strangulation. Coroner Cromley was notified of the suicide and he immediately repaired to the house and empaneled(sic) a jury, and held an inquest. The testimony of Mrs. Ulrich, wife of the deceased, was as follows: I found the deceased at 10:15 a.m., he was hanging as found when you came. He was down hearted several days and seemed very despondent. He said he did not know what to do as he was troubled about business matters. He got up this morning, ate his breakfast and went into his bedroom, as he usually did, to lie down. We did not see anything more unusual this morning than at other times. He would have been 56 years old in November. He was at Lamar yesterday and paid his dues to the order of United Workman. My age is 36 years last December. Louise Ulrich</p> <p>F. E. son of the deceased, testified as follows: Did not see father this morning, he seldom gets up before I got to town. I run a milk wagon, and have to go to town daily. Mr. Campbell met me when I was coming home, and told me of father's death. When I got home I found him hanging to the bedpost. He was troubled about interest being due, and had said he did not know where he would get money to pay same. He has often said he was tired of life, and has said he wished he was dead. None of our folks to my knowledge ever committed suicide. Mrs. Louise Ulrich is my stepmother, and I have one full sister who lives in St. Louis, the other children are my half brothers and sisters. F. E. Ulrich</p> <p>G. W. Herndon, A. D. Miller and Silas Watkins testified to the fits of despondency indulged in by the deceased, and his constant worry about financial matters. After hearing the testimony, the jury returned a verdict that he "came to his death by strangulation, at his own hands by hanging himself to a bed post in his own residence, while laboring under a temporary fit of insanity". Mr. Ulrich came to Barton county about two years ago, and bought what is known as the Leach farm, near Ozark school house, paying \$65.00 per acre for the 90 acres. He paid \$3000.00 in cash and secured the deferred payment by a mortgage, and his inability to meet the payments as they fell due, is supposed to have and</p>

	<p>unbalanced his mind, and he sought relief from his troubles by taking his own life. He leaves a widow and five children, two daughters, and three sons. He was a member of Jewell Lodge, No. 167, A. O. U. W. of Lamar, in good standing. The funeral took place at 10:30 Wednesday, under the auspices of Jewell Lodge, the remains being interred in Lake Cemetery.</p>
WABEL, HENRY	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 7, 1897 Henry Wabel died at his home in this city at 2 o'clock Tuesday morning He had long been a patient sufferer and the approach of the fell destroyer was not unexpected. He was the father of Mrs. J. E. Searles of this city. The funeral services were held Tuesday afternoon at the family residence on west Pacific street, after which the remains were interred at Lake Cemetery. He was 73 years of age and an old citizen of Lamar.</p>
WAGGONER, JASPER LEACH	<p>Lamar Democrat, September 9, 1897 Jasper Leach Waggoner, aged two years and 1 month, only child of Mr. and Mrs. Ed Waggoner, who live about three miles north of Iantha, died last Sunday morning after a weeks sickness of scarlet fever. The little one was buried Monday forenoon at Lake Cemetery after funeral services at the home conducted by Rev. Hunt, of Lamar. Dr. A. B. Stone was the attending physicians and loving hands of parents and relatives proved of no avail. The little one was the grandchild of Mr. and Mrs. J. B. Waggoner of Lamar. And of Mr. and Mrs. Leach, formerly of Lamar, but now of Indian Territory. The Democrat extends sympathy to the bereaved parents and relatives.</p>
WALKER, INFANT	<p>Lamar Democrat, July 1, 1897 Mrs. J. W. Walker administered a dose of paregoric to her four months baby, Friday evening, and in the morning the little one's troubles were ended. It was dead. Mrs. Walker lives with the family of W.H. Bennett. Since her arrival in this city about a year ago, her husband has died, two children have been taken to the orphan's home at Springfield, Missouri and the remaining child was buried in the Wright Cemetery, by the side of the father, who never saw it, Saturday afternoon. Mrs. Walker is alone with her sorrows. Golden City Free Press</p>
WALKER, WILL	<p>Lamar Democrat, October 28, 1897 It is reported in Lamar that Will Walker, who formerly resided in this city died last week at his home in Garnett, Kansas of consumption. He was foreman in the Leader office last year and was an excellent printer. He was a genial, whole souled fellow, of pleasing address, and had many friends in Lamar, who will be grieved to hear of his untimely death.</p>
WARDEN ALLEN	<p>Lamar Democrat, March 11, 1897 Died at his home in this city, at 4 p.m. Thursday, March 5th, of apoplexy, Judge Allen Warden. On the bright sunshiny morning of Sunday March 7th, there was a large gathering of our citizens at the late residence of Judge Warden to pay a last sad tribute to his memory and worth in all the relations of life. He was buried</p>

under the auspices of Lamar Lodge 292 A. F. & A. M.; Mt. Olive Commandery of which he was a member, acting as escort when the body was carried from the house to its last resting place in Lake Cemetery. The services at the house were conducted by Rev. Greenlees, who in a very feeling manner referred to the great sorrow which had overtaken Mr. Warden's aged helpmeet and his sorrowing children, all of whom were present except his son Frank, of Waukesha, Wisconsin. At the conclusion of Mr. Greenlees remarks the Masonic Fraternity took charge of the remains, and conveyed them to the cemetery where the beautiful and impressive burial ritual by the order was observed. Judge Allen Warden was born in Auburn, New York, April 8th, 1821, and was one of five children born to Bucklin and Anna Warden, two sons and three girls. He acquired an academic education while growing to manhood, and after finishing the course of study he left the parental roof in 1842, to seek his fortune in the Northwest; locating in Lafayette county, Wisconsin, he took up a tract of 540 acres of land a few miles west of Madison. Shortly afterwards he turned his attention to merchandising and milling. In 1846, he married Miss Lucinda Miller, a native of Indiana. To them were born seven children, five sons and two daughters, all of whom are living. He was the first presiding judge of Lafayette county, and having been elected to the position when but twenty-four years of age. In 1849, he removed to Beloit, where he served two terms as postmaster, under Fillmore and Pierce. During the Indian outbreaks in 1845, he raised a company of volunteers and was commissioned captain by Governor Dodge. He served as an elector for Wisconsin when Lincoln was re-elected in 1864, and again as one of the Grant electors in 1868. He was also a member of the signers of the 2nd Constitutional convention of Wisconsin, and as one of the signers of the present state constitution. In 1875 Mr. Warden became a resident of Barton county, where he resided until his death. He has been a prominent figure in the history of the county since 1875, having filled various positions of trust and responsibility. First as presiding judge; two terms as public Administrator and as mayor of the city of Lamar, in all of which positions he discharged his duties faithfully and honestly. He was a familiar figure on our streets, and to few persons has it probably been given to have so wide and universally pleasant an acquaintance with the people of the town and county in which he lived. He always had a cheerful word for those with whom he associated, and took a lively interest in the public welfare. Of his domestic relations it is not necessary that we speak to those who know many times more about them than we, except the matter should have some recognition here. What he was as husband and father they alone have the right to indicate, who have known his protection and love. Genial in his disposition, binding to him many friend, he was affectionate and tender hearted in nature, and his wife, children and grandchildren were his most precious jewels. He was broad in his religious views and sympathies and esteemed all Christians much alike, but was a member of the Congregational Church and earnest believer in the Christian religion. Judge Warden was about the streets Thursday morning in his usual health, chatting pleasantly with friends and acquaintances. At noon he went home and ate a hearty dinner, and returned to the square about 2 o'clock to send a telegram to Gay Bonney, informing him of the illness of Mrs. Bonney. He returned home immediately afterward, laid down on a

	<p>lounge and complained of feeling badly. His wife prevailed upon him to go to bed, and shortly after doing so his spirit took its flight to the mystic shore. His death was calm and painless, just such an ending of life's fitful dream as he had hoped for. He was a good true man in all the walks of life, and will be missed by none more—aside from his aged wife and children—than the Masonic bodies in this city. He had been a faithful in the observance of all Masonic tenets, and when the angel of death recorded the dread mandate that struck him from the rolls of the living, he was ready to render an account of the deeds done in the body.</p> <p>March 11, 1897 Lamar Democrat</p> <p>J. M. Warden, who came here from Denver to attend his father's funeral, will return today to resume his duties as a member of the Colorado legislature.</p>
<p>WATSON, ALVIRA</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 18, 1897</p> <p>Bushnell babble---Alvira Watson, infant daughter of Will and Flora Watson, died Sunday morning and was buried in Morehead graveyard Monday.</p>
<p>WEBER, CLEM</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 2, 1897</p> <p>The people of the west side of the square were startled Tuesday evening about 8 o'clock, by the announcement that Clem Weber, a well known character about town, had swallowed two ounces of carbolic acid with suicidal intent, and that no hope of saving his life existed. The facts as gathered by the Democrat are as follows: Weber, who had been drinking quite heavily during the day, became possessed of a desire to end his earthly career, He first went to the drug store of Frank Van Pelt and tried to purchase some morphine from Chris VanZandt. The latter, seeing his inebriated condition, refused to let him have the drug. He afterwards visited the Diamond Drug Company's place of business and asked Claud Jeffers for two ounces of carbolic acid; saying he wanted to use it in the preparation of some liniment. The young man filled the order and as he was wrapping a paper around it, Weber snatched it from his hand, and starting for the door drew the cork, and swallowed the entire contents of the bottle and then threw it on the floor as he left the store room. As young Jeffers saw him turn the bottle to his lips in the act of swallowing the drug, he told him not to swallow it, as it was deadly poison. This was the first intimation that Sheriff Livingston, Jas. Clinkenbeard and Clarence Shivers, who were in the back part of the store room near the prescription case, had of what had transpired and they immediately started out to find medical aid for the doomed man. After drinking the contents of the bottle Weber walked quietly down the street and seated himself in front of the Adams Hardware Company's store, apparently the least concerned of any, in a few seconds he started across the street to the court yard square. When he reached the enclosure he turned inside and walking north about one hundred feet fell to the ground, practically a dead man. He was taken up and carried to the courthouse, and messengers despatched(sic) to notify his parents and to summon medical aid. Drs. Molesworth and McGavaran were soon at the side of the suffering man but he had passed a point where their services could be of any benefit to him. He took the drug at 8 o'clock and at 9:10 he breathed his last. Nothing definite is known as to</p>

	<p>the cause of the rash act, but like all similar cases, rumor is busy with the matter and says “there’s a woman at the bottom of it.” This may or may not be true. It is thought, however that a certain woman with whom he has been on friendly terms had given him the marble pea, and that the suicide is due to this fact. Clem Weber was born in Morristown, Ohio, July 3rd, 1863. Shortly after the close of the war his parents removed to Lamar, where he has since made his home. He was a bachelor and was working at the boot and shoe trade with his father, on the east side of the square. He never spoke after taking the deadly draught and nothing has been discovered explaining his actions. That it was premeditated however, is evidenced by a piece of paper found in one of his pockets, upon which he had written “Good-bye mother and father.” The funeral services will take place at 2 p.m. Thursday.</p>
<p>WELLS, GUS</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, June 24, 1897</p> <p>One of the saddest accidents that has occurred in Tillamook for years happened at Frank Severance’s logging camp on the Miami on Tuesday. For some time Mr. Severance has had in his employ a man named Gus Wells. At about 4 p.m. on Tuesday some of the men of the crew were engaged in moving a large log which lay with one end against the stump at the top of a small hill, down which it was necessary to roll it to place in reach of the teamsters. All the men had been warned to keep out of the way, and when the log was about to be released, another warning was given. The log was then released clear of the stump and started quickly rolling down the hill. Wells, who had been working near the screw men, and in a position in which there was not the least danger, he being about twenty feet from the end of the log (and on a level with it) no sooner had he heard the final warning shout that he sprang down the hill and immediately in front of the log, which passed over his legs and body finally resting on his head. Of course he was instantly killed as the log which passed over him was of large size and going down hill at terrific speed. The reason for the man’s action it is impossible to give. Most people believe that the man had become terrified, and did not know what to do and actually jumped in front of the log. Wells was a quit (sic) unassuming sort of man about 47 years of age and a native of Illinois. He lived on the Trask about twelve miles from this city on a homestead and was a married man with a family of ten children, most of whom are unable to provide for themselves. The body was brought up by boat yesterday and will be buried on the family homestead. The above is taken from an Oregon paper. Gus Wells is a brother of Wm. and Ed Wells of this city and formerly lived here. He went to the northwest about 24 years ago.</p>
<p>WEST, JAMES</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, August 19, 1897</p> <p>Newport Nothings---Died at his home in Dade county August 14, James West, age 14. Jim was a good boy, he was obedient son and a kind brother. Mrs. West has the sympathy of the community in her bereavement.</p> <p>James West, a twelve year old son of Mrs. S. N. West, who lives near Newport, died of typhoid fever Saturday, August 14th, and was buried at Newport on the following Monday. The sympathy of the entire community goes out to the bereaved family.</p>

<p>WETHERBY, INFANT</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, May 6, 1897 Last Thursday evening there arrived at the Red Front feed yard a man and his family, who, whether his story is true or not, are to be pitied. He gives his name as David Wetherby, and says he came from Fort Scott. He has but one leg, his wife is in the last stages of consumption, and they are in destitute circumstances. When they stopped at the yard they had three children, a little daughter fifteen months old, and two little sons, aged four and six years respectively. The little girl was very sick and Dr. Cole was called Friday morning. She was found to be suffering with capillary bronchitis. The next day he was again sent for, and seeing that she was in a dangerous condition, had her removed to his home on North Gulf street, where she was given the kindest attention by the Doctor and Mrs. Cole. The little creature rallied for a time, but soon grew worse and at 11:40 Sunday night her suffering ceased in death. Funeral services were held Monday afternoon, and the little body was laid away in the East cemetery. As Wetherby says he is a Grand Army veteran, several members of the Post here, aided by a few ladies, took pity on the afflicted family, and did what they could do to make them as comfortable as possible. A room was secured at Mrs. Tipton's, where the sick woman is being cared for by the generously inclined people of this city. Wetherby says that his home has been in Fort Scott, where he conducted a transfer business until last December, when one of his teams ran away with him and broke his ankle. From some cause the ankle did not mend properly, and blood poisoning set in, and amputation became necessary. That he spent thirteen weeks in a hospital, and when he was able to get out, his property, of which he had accumulated some, was gone for debts. He was crippled so he could do but little work, and his wife, who was suffering with consumption, had grown much worse and that doctors advised him to take her to Eureka Springs, Arkansas, where a sister of hers resides, and they were on the way there. The cold, damp weather of last week caused the little girl to get sick and made her worse. She is unable to go further.</p>
<p>WHITE, JOHN MRS.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, February 18, 1897 Last December John White, living six miles west of Sheldon, died, leaving a wife and nine children. Tuesday of last week Mrs. White called at undertaker McCutchen and paid for her husband's coffin; she was then in perfect health. On returning home she caught a severe cold and later took pneumonia. Last Wednesday night the poor woman died and left her nine children to provide for themselves; the youngest is a mere babe and the eldest under seventeen years of age. The sympathy of everyone is with the little ones. Sheldon Enterprise</p>
<p>WHITE, MATHEW H.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, November 4, 1897 Mathew H. White died on Monday this week of stomach trouble and was buried at Lake Cemetery Wednesday. Mr. White lived near Irwin and was 60 years old.</p>
<p>WILLS, NORA</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 16, 1897 The Democrat is in receipt of a marked copy of "The Ledger", published at Antioch, California, announcing the death of Nora, the wife of Frank M. Wills, at that place, on Monday, the 30th of November. The older citizens of Lamar will</p>

	<p>remember Frank Wills and Nora Durack. Mr. Wills is a cousin of Mrs. C. H. Brown of this city, and Nora Durack, was relative of H. C. Timmonds. Frank and Nora formerly lived at Lamar, and they were married here May 23, 1872. In April, 1872 they moved to Antioch, California, where they made many friends. Two sons Frank and William were born of their marriage, and they are now young men also residing at Antioch. About a week prior to her death she was stricken with paralysis, and remained helpless and semi-conscious to the last. The family have many friends here who will regret to learn of this death, and who extend to Mr. Wills and his sons their condolence in this sad bereavement.</p>
<p>WILSON, ANN M.</p>	<p>Lamar Democrat, December 16, 1897 Last Saturday evening, December 11th, 1897, at 7 o'clock, Mrs. Ann M. Wilson, wife of J. H. Wilson, died at her home in this city, after a lingering and painful illness of several weeks. Her sickness dated from her 62nd birthday and her death occurred on the 66th birthday of her husband. Saturday morning Mr. Wilson said to his wife, (Ma did you know this was my birthday"). She replied ("Yes and I am pretty near dying this morning".) That was the last intelligible expression he had from her. The funeral services were held at the Methodist Episcopal Church, Monday afternoon at 1:30 o'clock, Rev. C. V. Criss, of Springfield, assisted by Rev. G. J. Hunt of this city officiating. The interment was at Lake Cemetery. The pallbearers were C. D. Adams, Warren Baker, H. C. Timmonds, J. B Waggoner, C. D. Goodrum, and Geo. F. Bowling—immediate neighbors of the family. Mrs. Wilson's maiden name was Miller. She was born in Lexington, Kentucky, October 14, 1835. Her parents moved to Owen county, Indiana where she was married to Mr. Wilson on the 27th day of November 1855. They resided there till July 1864, when they moved to Lamar. Ten children were born to this marriage—eight sons and two daughters. Three of the boys died in Illinois in early childhood; the others are still living. The surviving sons are Stanley, James, Joseph, Lovell and Scott, all of whom reside at Lamar. The daughters are Mrs. S. D. Couchman of St. Louis, and Mrs. George Teeters, who resides on a farm about three miles west of town. Mrs. Wilson was a granddaughter of Col. Garrett Wall, who was first a captain, then a colonel, in the war of 1812. That he was a man of worth is shown by a letter of introduction written for him by Hon. Richard H. Johnson, subsequently Vice President of the United States under Martin Van Buren, of which the following is a copy.</p> <p style="text-align: center;">Oakland, Scott county, Kentucky August 10, 1830</p> <p>Messrs. Calhoun and McDuffie: Gentlemen—this will be handed to you by Col. Garrett Wall, a particular friend of mine, who led my forlorn hope in the Battle of Thames and covered himself in glory. He has been a member of the Legislature and one of our State Senate. He stands without a superior for honor, integrity, and a noble and high-minded disposition. Confidence may be placed in him without danger. Any favor done him</p>

	<p>will be a favor to me. Sincerely yours, Rh. H. Johnson</p> <p>Mrs. Wilson's relatives on her mother's side, are a long lived people. She has an uncle, Dr. Wall, of Maryville, Kentucky, who is now 87 years of age, and three aunts aged respectively, 81, 85, and 89 years. Dr. Wall is a son of Col. Garrett Wall, was a surgeon in the late confederate army, and attended General Stonewall Jackson who died from a wound during the war. Mrs. Wilson was an active, faithful and consistent member of the Methodist Episcopal Church of this city. But, above all else, she was an affectionate and devoted wife to her husband and mother to her children. Now that she is gone, her boys who were still at home, will know more and more as time goes by, what it was to have a mother like her. They will miss her at every turn, morning, noon, and night—they will miss her, yes always miss her. So will the married sons and daughters miss her; but more than all else she will be missed by a lonely husband who for 42 years traveled with her the path that leads from the cradle to the grave. To them all there will be one vacant chair. But there is consolation in this sad hour of bereavement. They know full well that in the Father's house are many mansions, and that a place had long been prepared there for her. They know that she has gone from Earth to Heaven, and they have the blessed assurance that there, with beckoning hands, she awaits their coming.</p>
WISE, RUFUS	<p>Lamar Democrat, September 23, 1897</p> <p>Rufus Wise, a county charge at the poor farm, died last Saturday, and was buried by the county. He was 49 years old.</p>
WISEMAN, LIZZIE MRS.	<p>Lamar Democrat, September 30, 1897</p> <p>Wise Pickups---Mrs. Lizzie Wiseman, after an illness of several weeks, departed this life Wednesday, September 22nd. She leaves a husband and four children to mourn her loss. The remains were laid to rest in the Lutheran Cemetery, Thursday September 23rd. The bereaved husband and children have the sympathy of the entire community.</p>

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